



CALENDAR  
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Sunday, January 1, 1939

1st day — 364 days follow

Elinora R. Singley  
Her Diary for 1939.

Home from the club danced  
at 3:30. Ben Curtis sleeping.  
Luc. Found the front door  
open & Jack gone! But  
when I got up at 9, Ben &  
Jack were back.  
Took the children to S.S.  
Wagman had day off but  
I managed to go to church  
at 11 with Hugo. Then the  
whole family went to Uncle  
Fred's to dinner. The children  
behaved very well, but hard-  
ly opened their mouths.

Later, at home Steve Corple  
dropt in & then Pete & Eleanor  
& Tom Glenn. We went to  
Martha's to a fine egg nog  
party. Bill Reynolds had  
supper with children & at  
last said good-bye to them. Dad

Monday, January 2, 1939

2nd day - 363 days follow

Slept late - I don't feel well. - oisitis, I guess. Evening & I changed the beds and I put away things that have been hanging around since Christmas. After lunch I tried to nap among the children, but soon Gen came with her knitting & I had to mend Henry's sweater. I have awful pains. It was nice having an afternoon with Gen once more. Henry came home from a walk with a black eye. He & Rich got in a fight with a big boy up the mountain. Put them to bed very early. Intended to write up last year's diary but settled on Dave's post to read - Magic at night.

Tuesday, January 3, 1939

3rd day - 362 days follow

The children off to school again & I got at a huge wasp sting - back to normal at last. After lunch I hung about 4 dozen hamsters out doors & then took a nap until Deborah came for me to drive to the college with her. We had a very pleasant afternoon - tea & all. I got two blue & white checked quilts that Cousin Nan Holcombe had made, but they are too small for our big beds. After supper the Bridge Club arrived, Gen, of course & C. Sieg taking Heine's place. The first time we've met in ages. Fun - except my bridge is very small.

Wednesday, January 4, 1939

4th day — 361 days follow

Felt much better today. Maybe I didn't have visitis after all - but I'd better stay on wagon. I put away things from party last night, put away yesterday's wash and tidied up in general. After lunch I wrote in my old diary until I got sleepy. Took a nap & then washed & did my ironing. Martha came & we had tea in the kitchen. Ellen helped with the ironing while I got soup & sandwiches ready for supper - late as usual. This is the first night in weeks Huguie & I were alone with nothing to do & we were fairly happy.

Thursday, January 5, 1939

5th day — 360 days follow

Had a most terrible night with a "toothache" in my left kidney. It was gone in the morning but I decided to stay in bed. I read a bit & talked to Ev. who was cleaning up there. After lunch Huguie drove me to Winifred's to the Reading club where I feather stitched my "life work" pillow case thoughtlessly - got a ride home with Siyie. After supper I felt I ought to go to church - community prayer week service with Mr. Stamm, Reformed, preaching very well. And then read

\* P.M.

Friday, January 6, 1939

6th day - 359 days follow

Got up for breakfast but kept wishing I hadn't, I feel so burn & sickish. I did some mending in my bedroom and then came down & lay on davenport. After lunch I felt better & transplanted my maiden hair fern which seems to be dying. Then "Mr. Sunny the" came to look over furnace & Hugie came too. I retired to the davenport again & dozed off & on until suppertime. Hugie had a church meeting so I got the children to put themselves to bed & I went to bed at the same time & read until Hugie came home - the Post.

Saturday, January 7, 1939

7th day - 358 days follow

Had my breakfast in bed again today. Read a bit & wrote up last year's diary. Wonder why I keep a diary habit, I guess. In the afternoon the children all went to the movies to see "Ferdinand, the Bull". I read & wrote in my diary and enjoyed the quiet of the house. It is a beautiful day outside, but I was content to enjoy it from the windows.

After supper Waglan stayed while Hugie & I went to see "Ferdinand" and "The Great Waltz" with Luise Rainer & Fernand Gracet & Kiliiza Kojima in it. The movie was lovely but I didn't like the actors. We chatted a bit when



Sunday, January 8, 1939

8th day — 357 days follow

Did not go to church at all. Made the beds and manicured, etc and actually sat down & read the papers before dinner. In the afternoon Hugie took Henry & Peter for a walk. Don Ellen had a time deciding what to do but went with Jane Walker. Mike went over to Sally's. I was about to nap when Cat Lane dropped in. When she left I was wide awake & wrote to Tilly Beck, Miss Bessie & Cousin Ruth. Peter brought Mike home & stayed to have a drink when Hugie & the boys came. Washed the boys hair - washed Ellen's this A.M. & finally settled down to read the paper & do my sewing.

Monday, January 9, 1939

9th day — 356 days follow

Nice sunny day until I got my line up outside - it got so very cloudy I brought the line in again, but by the time I had the clothes hung up in the laundry it was beautifully sunny again! After lunch I went out & worked in my garden. It has thawed out enough to pull the dead annuals out & I had a beautiful time! Then Martha came with a dear little basket of herbs for me & C. Seig brought her sweater & Anne & Aunt Mame & I made tea for them all. After supper Hugie had a church meeting & I am sure one. We left children alone & the fire bell rang & I made

Hugie still up when I got  
Tuesday, January 10, 1939 home!

10th day — 355 days follow

Washed again today & at  
last I am caught up.  
In the afternoon I got  
all dressed up & wrote  
a letter to Doreen and  
fussed around, waiting  
for Mrs. Sayre to come.  
The man came to fix the  
stove again — Gus's little  
darling of a stove. Finally  
Mrs. Sayre came & I  
settled down to darn.  
He had a most pleasant  
time, I like her very much.  
Hugie did not come home  
to supper, but Jane was  
here on Henry's invitation.  
Ellen had scout meeting.  
Hugie finally came & went  
to bridge club at Grace's —  
partner was Gen. O

Wednesday, January 11, 1939

11th day — 354 days follow

Slept rather late — by the  
time I had put the two  
washes away it was late  
& I had to hurry to get  
down town in time to pay  
my bills. When Hugie brought  
me home I changed my  
clothes & went over to  
Martha's to a most de-  
licious luncheon for Gus.  
Cat, Grace & Betty Driscoll  
were also there and we  
sat & dined & talked &  
argued all afternoon. It  
was very amusing. Then,  
still full of lunch I  
had to come home &  
cook supper. Children  
helped me with the dishes.  
I spent most of the  
evening out



Thursday, January 12, 1939

12th day — 353 days follow

I now write in this diary before breakfast - I do hope that's the solution to regularity. Spent the morning ironing + thinking about my old beans - wondering what they are like now.

In the afternoon I went to C. Seep's to the Reading Club - started to make a cover for my little tray. We are still reading "My Son, My Son" + all seem to like it. After supper Hugie went down to his office for a while. I read my continued story "Song of Years" by Bess Streeter Aldrich in Post + wrote from notes into last years diary for August!

Friday, January 13, 1939

13th day — 352 days follow

It is hard to get awake these mornings - even after I'm up! I puttered around, cut my toe nails + did some mending. After lunch when I took the children back to school I showed Mr. Woodring my plant with bugs on it + he gave me some medicine for it. I polished silver all afternoon + Gen came + sat in the kitchen with me + we had tea + talk as we used to. Too bad she has to go back to California. After supper the children entertained the Xmas tree while Hugie took me to see Robert Montgomery, Frankfort Lane + Jewel Gaynor in "Three Loves Has Mary" + "White".

Saturday, January 14, 1939

14th day — 351 days follow

A most beautiful snow  
fell yesterday it is sticking  
on the trees like fairy land.  
I did my washing, watch-  
ing the children playing in  
the snow outside my wind-  
ow. After lunch I read  
"Life" until I fell asleep,  
expecting Martha to come  
soon. But she slept, too, &  
it was tea time when she  
arrived. She is knitting  
a sweater for Ellen. After  
supper Huguie built a fire.  
I read to Luke a bit be-  
fore putting him to bed.  
At 8.30 the Johnny Curtiss  
came (Martha Dyak) I  
showed them the house.  
Then we played bridge  
& had a story at one.

Sunday, January 15, 1939

15th day — 350 days follow

Didn't wake up in time  
to go to early church &  
Huguie went to his office  
in the car so I didn't go  
to late church. Anyway,  
I wanted to clean the  
laundry which hasn't  
been done since before then.  
After dinner we all got  
ready to take a walk  
with Huguie — except Luke  
who went over to Billy's.  
We walked in the deep  
snow up to the top of the  
mountain in back of us.  
We built a fire up there &  
Huguie put a flag on a  
tree. But coming down  
was terrible — we just  
fell down. Later supper —  
only to bed. 1 — is at meeting.

Monday, January 16, 1939

16th day — 349 days follow

Did my washing in the morning. When I took the children to school I stopped at Mr. Craig's to measure a chair she wants me to cover. She wanted me to go coasting, but I am too stiff from yesterday's manoeuvres. Instead, I laid out all my mending & then laid myself out for an hour's nap, but finally did do quite a lot of mending and continued it after supper in the pine room, listening to the radio after the children had gone to bed. Hugie was working at his

Tuesday, January 17, 1939

17th day — 348 days follow

After my daily chores & mending were done, I cut out a pair of pyjamas for Hugie, changing the pattern a bit. In the afternoon I sewed them up. Lay down to relax a bit afterward, but the meat came first then, so I started my ironing after I'd paid the boy. The boys came home & joined me in the laundry. Ellen is always late getting home. After supper Hugie & I went to the church meeting. There was not any more of a crowd than usual. The cake!

Wednesday, January 18, 1939

18th day — 347 days follow

I cut out another pair of pyjamas, changing the pattern a bit more. Then I went down town in the deep snow & did some shopping & saw a number of my friends. In the afternoon I sewed up pyjamas & did some machine mending. Finally allowed myself to finish my Post story. After supper Hargie played watchdog while I went to Cat Louie's to the bridge club. She & I played together & had high score. When I got home Ma's pin was gone! I prayed & then called up Cat & she found it!

Thursday, January 19, 1939

19th day — 346 days follow

Ellen has earache again the other ear. I swept the snow from the front walk, polished the silver with a polish paper & then made sandwiches. Ellen slept. After lunch when I took the bus to school, Dr. Hoffman came to see Ellen. Made more sandwiches, helping Wagon as I've given her the afternoon off on account of Bobby's birthday party to which he's went. Well, the Reading club met here & I heated them up with a nice fire in the fireplace. But I didn't hear much of the book with giving Ellen pills & getting tea ready. Hargie went to supper I washed dishes, & then to bed, read Post.



Friday, January 20, 1939

20th day — 345 days follow

Ellen feeling a little better today but still in bed. In & out of her room doing odd jobs. I finally wrote up the log of 1938 & put the diary with the 20 others. After lunch I gave all my plants a bath in the kitchen sink with a hose - it took quite a while. Then I went up to sit with Ellen & embroidered initials on Hugo's new pyjamas. Billy Sieg stayed to supper. He & Thelma had a bobsled ride at school. Catherine came for him later. Later I read "Too Many Cooks" by Rex Stout until Hugo went to bed.

Saturday, January 21, 1939

21st day — 344 days follow

A beautiful sunny white day. I did my washing and thought about coasting. We could see top & Sun. flag waving in the trees on top of the mountain. After lunch I sat with Ellen who doesn't feel so well today & colored the flowers on the altar flower chart I am fixing for the church. The whole thing is quite a job. After supper I got Hugo & Ellen settled for the night & then Hugo & I tramped thru the snow to the Sheffers where we had a most talkative game of bridge but Hugo & I did win what rubbers we played. — 344 days follow.



Sunday, January 22, 1939

22nd day — 343 days follow

Went to church at 8 & Mr. Sayre told me he wants me to teach Sunday School! Oh, dearie me! Made beds & cleaned the laundry & play room a bit. Ellen is feeling much better today. After dinner I sat with her, her brooding until Martha came with grape juice & cookies for her. Martha & I had tea downstairs. It is a very windy day, the windiest yet! Went back to Ellen & at supper time Catherine came for Billy & so our supper was very late. Read news paper when I had kids settled. Bed at 10:30 & at 11:30 Ellen's ear began to ache.

Monday, January 23, 1939

23rd day — 342 days follow

Was up most the night with Ellen, doctoring, soothing, scolding & threatening her, but she could not go to sleep. Her ear seems to be worse. I did my washing. Ellen sleeping peacefully now and after lunch Dick Hoffman came to see her — gave her pills. I stitched the third pygama leg by machine & then sat with Ellen, making button holes. Ellen was sewing, too & we had a pleasant afternoon. After I had the kids all in bed Hergie had gone to his office to work so I cut out & stitched up the third & last pygama top. Ellen

Tuesday, January 24, 1939

24th day — 341 days follow

Ellen is like a different person today - Slept all night too. She isn't even deaf any more. This new medicine is good. Worked my hair when I got up & it took me considerable time to get it up in the curlers. I put away the wash & did various odd jobs, sitting with Ellen. The doctor was delighted when he came - no bandaging necessary now. In the afternoon I took a nap, then mended in Ellen's room until Jane Walker came to see her. After supper I left Hughie in charge & went over to Martha's to the bridge club. The cards were devilish. I played

Wednesday, January 25, 1939

25th day — 340 days follow

Another good night for Ellen  
I went to the laundry &  
did bath ironing & wash-  
ing! Hugie called up later.  
We were eating lunch to  
say he wouldn't be home.  
Ellen was downstairs to let.  
I dipped some bedspread  
linings in tetter & then sat  
with Ellen in the living  
room mending & reading  
& helping her make a doll's  
dress. Mary Craig very kind  
ly brought her a book &  
game but would not  
stay long. Later Hugie & I  
had the cold with the  
sings to go to the club to  
dinner & then to singing  
song. We were the only ones  
there & had a lot of fun.

Thursday, January 26, 1939

26th day — 339 days follow

Did a few odd jobs mostly in Ellis's room & later went down town in the new falling snow, after lunch I took the bays to school, skidding down the street & then I took Jack out for Hugie & he nearly ran away & I plowing thru the deep snow after him. At two I went to Mary's to the Reading club leaving Ellen all alone but happy, making doll clothes. "My Son, My Son" actually did a little life today. Ellen & I got the children's supper. I read "Life" and started on a book "Rebecca" by Daphne du Maurier, which I didn't stop until 12 -

Friday, January 27, 1939

27th day — 338 days follow

Had an awful time making myself stop reading "Rebecca" after breakfast. It was after ten when I made beds & began washing hair brushes, my rings and what not. In the afternoon I gave up all effort to do anything else & just sat & read with Ellen sewing beside me, until it was time to go to Aunt Sarah Quigley's tea in Cook House for Tina's ma-in-law, the countessa something or other, we Grace Hawks. Hugie drove me & Martha Curtis down & back in time for supper. Hugie went to office - I read with a pen in my hand.



Saturday, January 28, 1939

28th day — 337 days follow

Couldn't stay in bed today as I had too much on my mind. Peter Shaffer came over to spend the weekend while his family goes away. I did my washing & finished my book "Rebecca". Let the water run over the tub while reading. In the afternoon I had to take Ellen to the doctors - her ear began to ache again - discharging. We sat in the office 1 1/2 hrs. I took a nap when we got home, & Ellen went to bed again in spite of pain being here. Poor little Ellen. After supper I mended while Augie read to me. Mr. Sayre called up to say Jim is back SS.

Sunday, January 29, 1939

29th day — 336 days follow

Did not go to early church but hurried thru my breakfast to go to Sunday School & meet my class - I have 12 big girls, including Eleanor Martin who used to work for Jo. Came home to fix up Ellen, who is feeling better & make the bed etc. After dinner I was taking a nap when Henry got a nose bleed. It was a bad one & I couldn't stop it with ice the way I usually do so called up Dick Hoffer who told me to use cotton. Then I played cards with the boys & Ellen on the bed. Supper, ping pong games & finally got them all to bed. Read the



Monday, January 30, 1939

30th day — 335 days follow

No school today — mid year.  
Ellen didn't get up until  
lunch time — Henry & Peter  
playing in play room & I  
washing, when Henry had  
another nose bleed. The cotton  
stopt it quickly but Henry  
looked so mean. Had to hang  
up my wash after lunch &  
before I had finished Gen  
came with her knitting.  
We finally settled on the  
davenport for a nice old  
chat & tea. At five the doctor  
came to see Ellen & Henry.  
At six Aunt Gertie, Uncle  
George & Anna Hoo Harman  
came to dinner — children  
etc with us, too. Hugie took  
Henry down to Dr's to  
have silver nitrate put in

Tuesday, January 31, 1939

31st day — 334 days follow

Aunt Gertie is staying  
here for a couple of days.  
Uncle Geo. & Anna went  
home without her after  
a pleasant evening Capt  
— night. Aunt Gert had break-  
fast in bed, so did Ellen.  
I sat in Aunt Gert's room  
most of the morning  
mending. After lunch  
she helped me polish  
the tea silver & at three  
Mrs. Beach, Miss M. Bland  
& Mrs. Tuck & Mrs. Mac  
Curtin came to see Aunt  
Gertie & Ellen helped me  
serve them tea. Henry has  
been home all day, too.  
After dinner Hugie & Aunt  
Gert had her income tax  
I did my mending.



Wednesday, February 1, 1939

32nd day — 333 days follow

Ellen got up this morning but did not go to school until after lunch. But I took Aunt Jettie's head fast up to her. Later I went in her room with my 20-year-old black velvet dress & together we contrived to make a skirt out of it. After lunch we sat in the library where I stitched the skirt & she talked & read "Rebecca". She can't decide whether to go home tonight or not — she is a nice guest. She gave each child \$1 & they were quite over-  
come. At 8:30 however Augie & I took her to Beech Creek where we sat & talked & made co. — notice

Thursday, February 2, 1939

33rd day — 332 days follow

Quite a relief to have no sick children or visiting aunts in the house this morning. I cleaned bath-rooms, manicured, fixed my hair & finished the skirt & pressed it. After lunch Augie took the children to school while I got all dressed up in my flannel hat etc. to go to Mrs. Furst's "dessert-bridge" in honor of Martha Curtis. It was a very nice party — four of the Reading club there. When I got home Augie was openingysters for supper. Later I had to go to Sunday School teachers meeting, finally got home & read "Rebecca" till late

Friday, February 3, 1939

34th day — 331 days follow

Was late getting up & Grace Reynolds came in for a recipe & some wool but finally I did get to work on my was taking, running up between changes to do much telephoning.

I had to hang the wash after lunch & then Cat came arrived for our pseudo-reading club, the four who were at the party yesterday - Siegie & Deborah - plus Martha who just got home from Italy & Gen. It was a very nice meeting. We read & ate

sandwiches - so did Jack! they stayed till 5:30. After supper Augie & I saw the Donald & Eddy in "Sweethearts" which was <sup>ending</sup> ~~ending~~ <sup>ending</sup> ~~ending~~

Had to study S. S. lesson.

Saturday, February 4, 1939

35th day — 330 days follow

I was ready at 8:30 to go with the Sheffers to Osceola Hills where Peter is having his teeth fixed by Dr. Harkens. I had the doctor look at my wisdom tooth which doesn't come all the way thru. He X-rayed it & will pull it next time - in 2 weeks. After lunch I cut the boys' hair, cleaned Jack's ears & went for a walk around the town with Gen. It is a beautiful day. We stopt at her house to have tea with Mrs. Bible & Dottie. I cooked supper tonight & after children were in bed Augie & I went coasting in our <sup>new</sup> ~~new~~ <sup>new</sup> ~~new~~ moonlight. Woudy ~~Woudy~~ <sup>Woudy</sup> ~~Woudy~~ <sup>Woudy</sup> I staid to sleep but

36th day — 329 days follow

me had ~~the~~ sing fly.

37th day — 328 days follow

Still in the pits today be-  
cause of all my skidding  
Mike stayed in bed for  
breakfast - I gave him too  
much milk of mag last  
night! He joined me later  
in the laundry where I was  
doing the biggest wash-  
ing I've ever had. After  
lunch I had to continue  
washing until 3 - then I  
took an hour's rest before  
painting flower pots & a  
tray for M. Craig. And I  
made some pillow  
cases of all linen for the  
boys. After I had got all  
my work to bed - I went still  
here I cleaned the laundry  
& darned Aunt Gertie's table  
machine.

Tuesday, February 7, 1939

38th day — 327 days follow

Got up, all excited + hurried  
to make the beds, etc + then  
had to wait until Martha  
Curtin finally got here - 10:30  
to have her portrait done.  
As usual, I was perfectly  
happy while doing it.

She stayed to lunch + we  
continued until three when  
it was finished, fairly  
good likeness. Marcia Baker  
came to see it + we three  
had tea. They are nice  
girls. After supper I picked  
some of my precious violets  
+ allspice to make a little  
bouquet to take to Gen. at  
the bridge club at 7:30.

It is her birthday + we all  
took some time. I got so very  
tired. I fell over.

I wrote to Mary Home.

Wednesday, February 8, 1939

39th day — 326 days follow

Jane decided she had  
visited her long enough  
+ took her bag with her.  
I did a few odd jobs + at  
last got to the laundry  
to iron, but not time  
enough to finish before  
lunch. So I went down  
again after everybody  
had gone and put an-  
other coat of paint on my  
flower pots, too, before go-  
ing to the Bibles to use  
their typewriter to copy the  
flower chart lists. It  
took me until six with  
time out for tea with Gen.  
Finished when I got home  
had to cook supper +  
Hugie in a ~~very~~ humor.  
Bill was ~~very~~ in ~~the~~



Thursday, February 9, 1939

40th day — 325 days follow

Figured out my accounts  
+ then went down town  
to pay my bills + do a bit  
of shopping. It is warm  
today + the snow is melt-  
ing. After lunch I went  
to Cat Lane's - Mrs. Vogt gave  
me a lift down the street, first  
time I've ever talked to her + I  
told her I was sorry she was  
leaving our neighborhood.  
Everyone was present + on  
time at the Reading club!  
We got quite interested in  
"My Girl". I finished my tray  
early. After supper Angie  
took me to see "Cowboy  
+ the Lady" Gary Cooper + Dale  
Oberon - but we were sort  
of disappointed in it. News  
of a stay with her.

Friday, February 10, 1939

41st day — 324 days follow

Spent the morning mend-  
ing after I had washed  
my hair + put it up in  
curlers. After lunch I  
went to Angie's office  
with him - Mary Beezer  
was out - + used his type  
writer to make more copies  
of this old flower chart.  
On the way home, in the  
rain, I stopped in at Mar-  
tha's + got her to give me  
a cup of tea. Then I was  
late getting home + couldn't  
decide what dress to  
wear to go to country club  
dinner dance for the  
old people! It was lots  
of fun, but lasted almost  
as long as the year. Dale  
100



Best ball score was 31-32 in  
favor of Georgetown  
Saturday, February 11, 1939

42nd day — 323 days follow

A bit tired & sleepy when I  
got up but I had a big  
morning to do. Actually  
finished before lunch & changed  
my clothes as immediately  
afterward Hugie & I left for  
State College to see the Syracuse  
& State Freshman box - Sup. won  
& to see Schiph. wrestle State.  
Schiph won. The sun shone in the  
big windows & I got awfully  
sleepy. Then we drove out the  
road & had some Martinis  
Hugie brought in a bottle. Went  
to the Council Room to supper.  
Anne Dale & Davis Harvey came &  
sat with us & then the Seigs!  
But we left them & went back.  
an hour early to get good seats  
to see Jr. & State box - State won  
& Georgetown lost.

Sunday, February 12, 1939

43rd day — 322 days follow

Ellen & I went to 8 o'clock  
church where three of my S.S.  
girls met me for corporate  
communion. I was glad to see  
even 3. Got my breakfast & then  
rushed back to Sunday school.  
After that Eugene & I made  
the beds & then made cookies  
for the aux. tea tomorrow.  
After dinner the Curtins came  
in to see the portrait & Johnny  
said he'd buy it! Then Hugie  
took all 3 kids & me to feed  
the birds out in the woods.  
We built a fire & toasted  
marshmallows & had a fire  
time for 2 hours there. It  
was late when we got  
home - supper. Children to  
bed. I had a time to read "The  
eyes" to read "The"

Monday, February 13, 1939

44th day — 321 days follow

The children had gone to school  
& I had just finished breakfast  
when Mrs. Packham phoned that  
the school was on fire! When we  
saw flames leaping up, Eva.  
& I put on our coats & ran.  
The roof was all ablaze when  
we got there — there were children  
all around but I couldn't find  
mine. At last I found Ellen, who  
broke into tears — then we found  
Henry, worried about a book  
he left in there. We then walked  
home to get Timie who had  
been sent home & then we went  
back & watched the walls  
falling until lunch time.  
There is nothing left of it  
except the yellow brick walls.  
It is sad to see it go, but  
(see memo in back)

got the usual heart of candy  
Tuesday, February 14, 1939 from Bo.

45th day — 320 days follow

We went to school but  
Ellen & Henry had no place  
to go. They went out deliver-  
ing Valentines. I did a big  
dressing & then got ready  
to go to the bridge luncheon  
at the Brockschhof which  
the girls golf put on. Sat  
with Siegie, Cat & Grace  
& had a very nice meal.  
Just missed getting the  
last prize which Grace  
got because I didn't know  
a little diamond was good!  
Bought Hagie a tie on the  
way home which I put  
in a heart on the table, put  
nickels in little hearts for  
the children. Took Ellen to  
soccer meeting. Tooked  
over seed catalog.

Wednesday, February 15, 1939

46th day — 319 days follow

This morning was a perfect example of how to waste time — I spent most of it talking to Waggon about gardening. Wilbur, Hugie & Ellen were home to lunch. Wilko went to school, Henry to the movies & I to State College to Junt's to the bridge club. Martha & I played Cat's Grace & had fun getting beaten. It was after six when I got home & had to cook supper. Everyone helped so it did not take long. Hugie thinks he is getting a cold in spite of all the shots he's had. I read the Post, and forgot all about

Thursday, February 16, 1939

47th day — 318 days follow

I won. Ellen was playing in the playground dressed in a long train & everytime she sat down Jack curled up on the train. In the afternoon I went to Martha's to the Reading club. I took my sewing table full of darning & got most of it done. That book "My Son, My Son" is most unpleasant. Stayed with Martha a bit after everyone left. After supper I finished the darning, gave Wilko a bath, put drops in Hugie's nose & then went over to Jo's to play bridge with Martha, Curtin & Siegie. We talked a lot too.

Friday, February 17, 1939

48th day — 317 days follow

Hugie spent a terrible night  
& so did I, listening to him.  
He stayed in bed in the  
morning & I sent for the  
doctor who came before lunch  
& pronounced it influenza  
also showed him his kidneys  
& that is impetigo. After lunch  
I went down town, mainly  
to buy myself a comfortable  
pair of shoes - the boy went  
with me. We went up to see  
Mary Beizer in Hugie's office.  
When I got home I worked  
on Hugie's old sluits - he  
sleeps most of the time. He  
has an awful time, always  
getting sick. Thank God I  
am so healthy. After supper  
I sat beside Hugie & read  
"Wick and Point" in the Post.

Saturday, February 18, 1939



49th day — 316 days follow

Three weeks again, doggone  
it. But I got up & brought  
Hugie his breakfast and  
fixed him up. He is feeling  
better. Dr. Wier came with  
a book for him. Then I went  
to the Laundry to wash - not  
a very big wash, for timidity.  
After lunch I sat with H.  
reading "Life". Johnny Curtin  
came for the portrait & paid  
for it. Later Pete Shaffer  
came to see Hugie. I mend-  
ed & made tea & high balls.  
After supper I still mend-  
ed & Hugie told me of his  
book, which I hope to read  
myself. Studied my S.S.  
Lesson & then got us both  
to bed. But was awakened  
at 1:30 by the siren -



Wrote to Beum before supper.

Sunday, February 19, 1939

50th day — 315 days follow

W. phoned at 2:30 & said the building next to Temple Court was burning. Such excitement in this house - the children all up & Hugie wanting to save papers at his office. But we couldn't see or hear anything & finally went to sleep. When W. came in the morning we learned with relief that Temple Court hadn't been touched. I had to go to S. S. & all 3 kids went to church with me. I slept most of afternoon. Hugie got up for dinner (dinner, Hugie!) When I got up from my nap I made tea for Hugie & me. Finally we had supper & when the children were in bed Hugie & I each went to bed & read there until

Monday, February 20, 1939

51st day — 314 days follow

Evagran is now sick - but is due. Tiler got contumacious & wouldn't go to school, so I spanked him & shut him up in his bedroom. Ellen & Henry went to the dentist. Hugie stayed in bed. I made the beds clean & got lunch. Tiler walked to school willingly after lunch. Grace dropped in for a moment & stayed a while to tell me the goings. I was cutting out shirt cuffs when Mary Craig dropped in & stayed a while. Later Hugie had grape juice but I needed something stronger. He got up for supper. I let him shirt cuffs & then succumbed to the darkness & read -



Tuesday, February 21, 1939

52nd day — 313 days follow

Ellen & I got breakfast & then I did the washing while Ellen & Henry cleaned the house! They had a beautiful time. I made apple sauce while I washed! Hugie got up for lunch & went to his office. When Ellen & I had the dishes I lay on down part with Ma's last work - the afghan - over me & went sound asleep. I have a touch of my old colitis. A couple of hours later in came Gen & Brickley! I made tea for them & hoped Hugie would come early as he had said - but he didn't - when he did come he had a fever again & went to bed - oh, dear. I got Ellen & Henry & retired.

Wed. Wednesday, February 22, 1939

53rd day — 312 days follow

We got breakfast & then I dashed down to church & met Ellen at Hugie's office as Mary B. is sick too. It was icy & I skidded. Sprinkled the morning & got church ready. After lunch I polished silver & got tea ready while Ellen ironed. Then Uncle Fred & Grace brought Cousin Kitten & Dr. Soper to see the house & have tea. It was very pleasant. Hugie is in bed all this time. I was very late getting supper ready. Bill Sieg came in to see Hugie for a while. When he left I locked up & went to bed again to read the New Post - Hugie seems better.

Thursday, February 23, 1939

54th day — 311 days follow

Ellen & I got breakfast but  
Ewazen came later & we  
were all overjoyed to see her.  
Hugie is still in bed. Grace  
came for me to go to the  
colored church sale with her.  
I bought a shaving stand!  
an antique. Something I've  
wanted since child hood!  
Silly, but I love it. When I got  
home Hugie in a gloomy  
mood told me how we could  
not go on as we are. Please,  
God, help us. After lunch I went  
to Siegie's to Reading Club. We  
finished "My Son" - I finished  
Hugie's shirts. Hugie got up  
for supper. After children were  
in bed I wrote to Jesse Brown  
about Laure. property & Mrs.  
De Weese about Miami one.

Friday, February 24, 1939

55th day — 310 days follow

Ellen & Henry & I went down  
to Hugie's office at nine  
to keep it open as Mary  
Beegun is also sick. We  
couldn't manage to open  
the safe but the only one  
who came to pay a bill  
had the right change.  
I read "The Yearling" by  
Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings.  
It is delightful. After lunch  
Hugie felt well enough  
to go to the office himself  
so I did my washing  
and got Gen to come  
& sit in the laundry.  
We were there by four when  
Hugie came, & we all had  
tea. After the children were  
in bed Hugie & I went, too  
& read. He feels better.

Saturday, February 25, 1939

56th day — 309 days follow

Jo took me over to Osceola  
at nine to have my impetigo  
wisdom extracted. The ap-  
pointment was for ten but it  
was nearly one before he  
got to me. Fortunately I had  
"The Qualling". He had a time  
getting it out & it had pus  
around it. Jo got me a milk  
shake & then we drove home.  
I got a martini & settled  
on the davenport for the  
afternoon. It began to hurt  
& I could taste that horrible  
nausea came. Soup for supper  
& then I went to bed &  
Hugie very kindly got the  
children settled. He went  
to bed, too & read Reader's  
Digest to me, but Jim said  
I didn't like it much.

Sunday, February 26, 1939

57th day — 308 days follow

Slept pretty well with  
the aid of Dr. Harkins'  
pain pills. Hugie would  
not let me teach Sunday  
school & I was glad not  
to have to rush to get  
there altho I guess I  
could have. I got up for  
a nice chicken dinner  
& afterward had a  
beautiful time planting  
the begonias & gerberas  
which finally came  
from Dallas. At four  
when I finished I was  
tired & went back to  
my davenport. We man-  
aged supper some how.  
Ellen did most. I read  
my book & we all went  
to bed early.

Monday, February 27, 1939

58th day — 307 days follow

Stayed in bed for breakfast. I did not sleep very well & today my face is quite swollen. Managed to get up later & Ev. helped me make the beds clean. After lunch - the children have gone back to school at last - to improvised classrooms. I took a nice long nap. When Ellen came in she made me a cup of tea. Then she made a coat for her doll, sitting beside me while I read. I feel worse today than I did yesterday. Went up to say goodnight to the kids & then finished book - sad & I couldn't sleep.

Tuesday, February 28, 1939

59th day — 306 days follow

Couldn't sleep well - the pain in my cheek bone gets worse lying down. But I got up for breakfast & had a time deciding whether to have the bridge club or not. Called up Cat to talk operations with her. And I did the washing. After lunch - Hugie took children to school. I lay down on davenport with Grace's heat pad & took a nice nap. Later I wrote to Tony Birney, having just heard that David died last fall. And after supper I got the boys to bed before the bridge club arrived - Ellen absent. I had to play with Gen versus Grace & Jack! Calce & ...



Wednesday, March 1, 1939

50th day — 305 days follow

Again I had a bad night  
& slept late in the morning  
until Eva came brought  
my heels fast up to me. It  
is very windy - March  
coming in like a lion. I  
read a bit in bed & then  
got up & tried to see in my  
socket in vain. It hurts  
terribly there must be food  
& pus in it. After lunch  
I immediately did my iron-  
ing - all the shirts I had  
intended! Then Phyllis came &  
helped me drink the egg  
that Martha sent over. Very  
good, but very rich. I sent  
Henry to Joe's for pain pills &  
after supper I felt so fine  
that I did all my mending  
& Henry read a bit to me.

Thursday, March 2, 1939

61st day — 304 days follow

Septuagint, but the pain in my  
face was back this morning.  
It is a beautiful sunny  
day - just perfect for me &  
Martha to drive to Osceola  
to see Dr. Harkins. He cleaned  
out my socket, took the stitches  
out & packed it, instead and  
I drove home feeling like  
another woman. Took the  
children to school after  
lunch, I felt so fine - & went  
to Grace's to the Reading  
club. We started Anne Lind-  
bergh's "Listen! The Wind!"  
but it doesn't start as well  
as her other book. After  
supper Ev. put children to  
bed while I went to church  
with Phyllis. Rev. Dennis Johnson  
preached. Read "Life"

Friday, March 3, 1939

62nd day — 303 days follow

Walked to church at 9:30,  
Drove late but I didn't  
seem to care. On the way  
home I stopped at the  
Bibles, & then Mrs. Witter  
was on her porch & I had  
quite a conversation  
with her. But I finally  
got the beds made before  
lunch. My cheeks have turned  
quite a lot so I spent  
the afternoon sitting in  
win dows where the sun  
baked my cheek. It felt  
wonderful. I read "all  
this & Heaven, too" by Rachel  
Field. Some seeds came that  
I got at a bargain. After supper  
I gave Mike a good scrubbing.  
Bill Sieg was here a little while.  
Read, rolling heater to check.

Saturday, March 4, 1939

63rd day — 302 days follow

Martha came for me at 8:45  
& she drove me in her  
car to Osceola to see Dr.  
Hankins. She insisted on it  
that way. He was pleased  
with my tooth, treated it a bit  
& gently filled 2 front teeth.  
I certainly do like him. We  
were home before noon after  
a pleasant drive. In the  
afternoon I had to do the  
washing. Millions of kids  
outside flying kites, Huey,  
too. Then I lay down with  
the heat pad on my cheek  
& went asleep till Huey  
came! & I had to cook  
supper! Wrote to Mr. De  
Wiese about selling Miami  
house & then the Siegs came  
to my bridge (?) until one!

Sunday, March 5, 1939

64th day — 301 days follow

Henry has a slight fever & is staying in bed. But Ellen & Mike & I rushed off to S.S. My class moved into the kitchen for quiet but it seemed to accentuate my inability to teach! Drove home to get Hegie for church - Ellen & Mike went to church, too. Made the beds before dinner time. In the afternoon I put away yesterday's washing & then sat with Henry, darning. Billy & Mike were there too & we discussed Mike's party. Later I washed Ellen's hair. Supper over early. I figured my bills & accounts & then sat beside Hegie at his desk & read my book. ~~My~~ tooth ~~is~~ fine today.

Monday, March 6, 1939

65th day — 300 days follow

Mike is seven today. I did not see him before he went to school. Evagen & I cleaned the playroom & laundry. Then I rushed downtown to pay my bills & do a lot of shopping. Henry is still in bed. Mike was all excited at noon about the presents he was getting. I cut out a bowl of fruit & made sandwiches. Then Mike & his nine little guests arrived, including Phil & Laine who was not invited! They made much noise in playroom - ate supper in dining room - Hegie & I had to eat in kitchen. Hegie took them all home on his way to school meeting. Ready

Tuesday, March 7, 1939

66th day — 299 days follow

At last I had a good morning to wash my hair. Put it up in curlers after breakfast. Then I did the washing. There wasn't enough hot water to rinse it all - because I had told Henry to get up & take a bath. He is feeling O.K. again. After lunch he helped me figure out pajamas for him & Mike from the pieces left over from Hugo's & Beau's! It was quite a job & took me all afternoon to cut out four pairs. Sue's came in after supper while I was oiling the sewing machine. Harie went to see Ellie at about 8:30. I read.

Wednesday, March 8, 1939

67th day — 298 days follow

Yesterday I tried in vain to get someone to paint today, but this morning I was glad to have a morning to waste - just doing what my fancy pleased. In the afternoon however I got to work sewing up the boys' pajamas. Martha came over & sat in the pine room with me. I told her of the silver coffee cups I once sold to Mother & got back & now wanted to sell again. She offered to buy them! Raisin toast for tea. I cooked supper & when the kids & I had the dishes washed I went to Martha's to hide with Jo & Sue.



Thursday, March 9, 1939

68th day — 297 days follow

I spent most of the A.M.  
in the laundry ironing.  
I thought of writing a  
book — of letters perhaps  
as every one seems to like  
my letters. If I could just  
make some money. Some  
how! In the afternoon  
I trudged down Antio St.  
in the wind & rain to Peg's.  
The children as usual  
were noisy, & our booklet  
very absorbing, but the  
tea was excellent. After  
supper I went to church  
with Jugie — Mr. Hammond  
of Lake Haven preached.  
Then I went to the movies  
with Aunt Mame & Siogie  
to see *Topper Takes a Trip*  
*Constantine Belmont* —

Friday, March 10, 1939

69th day — 296 days follow

Beautiful day & I felt  
fine as I walked to  
church at 7:30 — heard  
& saw a couple of robbers.  
After church I went  
down town to buy the  
stuff for the mission box.  
I walked home up High  
St. & thru the cemetery!  
In the afternoon I saved  
up pyjamas until time to  
take Hokie to the doctor there  
about his impatiens thumb.  
It has got under the nail.  
Then I saved more pyjamas  
until time to get Hokie —  
he took me to the Mark-  
land for a drink before sup-  
per! After supper I saved  
pyjamas & read *"Life"*  
Hokie is feeling better.

Saturday, March 11, 1939

70th day — 295 days follow

Did my washing & swore at the leak of hot water. The pipes in the furnace have become lined & we have to get new ones! Had early lunch & then went to Osceola with Jo. I took "all this Heaven, too" fortunately as it was a long wait. Poor Peter had 3 teeth pulled & now the cleft will most likely open again. Poor Jo was all worked up over it & no wonder. She let me out at church - where I arranged flowers, etc. & Hugie picked me up. After supper I was tired & cross. I read altho Hugie was listening to races on radio & wanted me to listen too.

Sunday, March 12, 1939

71st day — 294 days follow

Every thing is covered with sheet of ice & sheet so I did not attempt to go to church at 8. Hugie took us all to Sunday School. There were very few people there. We all went to church at 11 - the children have suddenly taken a liking to church. In the afternoon Hugie went to his office & I finished the Ray's pyjamas. Jane was here & I had to settle a few minor squabbles - the rain & ice has kept them in for two days. After supper I put the buttons on pyjamas & finished my book. Olive called that she will be here Wed. to be

Monday, March 13, 1939

72nd day — 293 days follow

Wagman & I made the beds  
clean & then I got to work  
polishing silver. Had not  
finished by lunch time  
I have such a lot of silver,  
I wish I could sell it.  
After lunch I finished  
that job & then started  
another — making pyjamas  
for Beau's birthday. I  
called up Gen, but maybe  
it was lucky she couldn't  
come because by constant  
application I just finished  
the machine work on the  
pyjamas by supper time.  
After supper I went to the  
Auxiliary meeting where  
everyone brought things for  
the box to be sent to Bishop  
Cove Ho. in Alaska.

Tuesday, March 14, 1939

73rd day — 292 days follow

Did my washing, mostly  
with cold water as I did  
not have time to wait  
till it got hot. At one Higie  
dropt Jo, Singie & me at  
Marcia Balsers where we  
were invited to a luncheon  
in honor of Betty Curtis Page.  
We had cock tails! It was  
all very nice & I enjoyed  
being with those young  
ones. Jo, Singie & I walked  
home with the prizes —  
boxes of soap. Soon  
after supper Olive  
arrived — she will stay  
here while I paint her  
picture. Singie came over  
later & I tied up the mission  
boxes & later made 100 high-  
balls. Evan B. here to see Higie.

Wednesday, March 15, 1939

74th day — 291 days follow

Oline & Hugie & I had breakfast together & then I got to work painting her. By lunch time I was tired & the family all thought the picture was terrible - very discouraging. But by 3:30 when Gen came to see it it was almost done to my satisfaction & both Oline & Gen liked it. I finished it & then we had tea. Then I touched up Gen's a bit the way she wanted me to. I was tired by supper time - even a cocktail didn't revive me. But Jo & Siegie came to play bridge & stayed till one in spite of Oline & me fairly asleep under their noses.

Dean Heistand preached  
Thursday, March 16, 1939 <sup>tonight.</sup>

75th day — 290 days follow

I got up at the usual time & attended to various chores until 10:30 when Oline got up. After she had gone out I did my ironing, finishing it after lunch before she came back to take me & the portrait to Reading Club, which Gen was having at the Bibles. They tore the portrait to pieces but on the whole most of them liked it. Gertrude Montgomery came for Oline at six & we showed her the picture & gave her a cocktail. They went to State College. I cooked supper & went to church with Siegie, leaving children alone - O



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Friday, March 17, 1939

76th day — 289 days follow

Heinie sent the children green  
durbies for St. Patrick's day.  
I stayed in bed & Olive  
had breakfast up there  
with me. We talked a bit  
& then she left for Hershey  
taking her portrait — paid for  
with her. After lunch I  
went to State College with  
Deborah to see a French  
film called "Ballerine" —  
quite good. Then we came  
home, picked up Martha  
& came here to tea. I got  
some rice buns in State C.  
Martha gave me a box  
of real marron. She is so  
sweet. After supper I read  
the Post — Ellen out to a  
party until ten! — Hattie & I  
went to bed when she did.

Saturday, March 18, 1939

77th day — 288 days follow

Did my washing in a  
hurry, swearing at the  
lack of hot water. Soon  
after 12 Jo came to take  
me with them to Osceola.  
Dr. Harkins filled the tooth  
decayed by the wisdom  
tooth & we were home by  
3:30! I stopped at her house  
for a cup of tea. Then I  
took a bath & got ready to  
go to the dinner dance at  
the club. Ann Dale once  
more announced her en-  
gagement to Boris Hawkey.  
I burned a hole in my  
dress by accident & then  
got lots of people to  
burn more holes in it!  
Hattie said I was drunk!  
We were home by one!

Sunday, March 19, 1939

78th day — 287 days follow

got up in time to get to Sunday School. I forgot to study the lesson but fortunately Miss Park from the Virginia mountains was there to talk to us. She spoke in church too & has a most fascinating personality. She is doing a wonderful work all by Faith. After a large dinner I was so sleepy & had such a headache that I spent the afternoon on my bed. Pete came over for Peter, but Peter stayed to supper — he & Huggy & Haggie were doing stamps. After the children were in bed I finally made four posters for Girl Scouts.

Monday, March 20, 1939

79th day — 286 days follow

Shope Bean received his pyjamas today. Ev. & I made the beds clean & then I attacked a very big washing — & not much hot water. I had to finish after lunch. Then it was time to meet Niho at school & take him to the doctors — his thumb doesn't seem to get any better — impetigo is hard to get rid of, I guess. We had a soda afterward & did a little shopping. Fortunately, Winifred gave us a lift home. After supper I settled down to read the garden supplements of 2 Sunday papers. & Read till 10:30

Tuesday, March 21, 1939

80th day — 285 days follow

The first day of Spring - it is sunny but cold. I got up early & cleaned the Russian blinds downstairs before breakfast! Later I mended, looked over children's clothes etc & was going to clean laundry when Winifred arrived stayed a while & invited me to rummage this afternoon. So I did my ironing at top speed & was ready to go with Win & Peggy at 2:30 to the college. We saw Leslie Howard in "Pygmalion". It was excellent. Hagie out tonight. I cleaned laundry while children ate supper. Ev. came when I went to Grace's to the bridge club. Cat & I won - lots of money.

Wednesday, March 22, 1939

81st day — 284 days follow

Mother's Birthday - but it didn't bring me good luck as I soaked all day on a portrait of Freda Adams and could not get a likeness. It is a beautiful picture with her black hair & black dress against aquamarine background but it does not look in the least like her. She went home to lunch. At five we finally stopped & had much needed tea. When she left Sugie came over to see it & thinks it has possibilities. After supper I read the Post after the children were in bed. Retired early.

Read life until tea when Hugie  
came in full of talk.

Thursday, March 23, 1939

82nd day — 283 days follow

I spent the morning  
painting again, finishing  
the dress & flowers & work-  
ing more on the face & I do  
believe it begins to look  
like Freida. After lunch  
gen came to see it - she  
thinks it's beautiful, then  
we went to Reading club  
at Deborah's - finished Ann  
Lindbergh's book & started  
"Fanny Kemble" by Margaret  
Armstrong. We got hysterical  
over the "Giacinthes". Deb  
had both sandwiches &  
cake, so I did not eat  
any supper - Hugie at the  
club. He's not feeling well  
so I got him to bed early - went  
to church to hear Mr. Peniston  
preach - got ride with Purcell.

Friday, March 24, 1939

83rd day — 282 days follow

Hugie was sleepy so I  
got a ride to church  
at 9:30. Mr. Sayre says  
I'm the only one who gets  
every thing right on the  
Altar! When I got home  
I found Evagene busy  
wrapping library walls so  
I got busy & helped her.  
After lunch we had to  
rub & rub them. It is a  
warm day, Kenneth is  
digging garden, Hugie is at  
home, 3 men are rolling  
our grass & dozens of children  
appeared, telephone rang  
constantly, Billy got sea-  
sick in the sewing - very  
thing confusion but ev.  
I completely cleaned that  
room. Wrote orders to F. Herman



Saturday, March 25, 1939

84th day — 281 days follow

Washed my hair & put it up in curlers. Did my washing, using cold water regardless. Three men were rolling the grass again, hummth, digging. After lunch I had to take kids to Dr. Hoffman who sent me to Dr. Parrish to have the thumb prayed as a last resort to getting it healed. The dark room, the machines & noise were a bit terrifying to Mike, even to me. I do hope it works. When we got home I prepared to plant tomato etc seeds. A thunderstorm hit us! After supper I sorted out & listed last year's press cards!! Hugie depressed as usual - he is so ~~in~~ the

Sunday, March 26, 1939

85th day — 280 days follow

Went to church at 8 & all three kids went with me! It is another beautiful spring day. We all went to S. School again after breakfast, but then I hurried home to make the beds & do my washing. After dinner Hugie, Healy & Peter went crow hunting. Ellen dug my sweet pea ditch while I planted seeds in my "flats". I had to rinse the second batch of washing when the water was hot, before I had time to plant the sweet peas. I was tired by supper time. Wonder if I'm getting too old to do so much work as I ~~used~~ to do this summer. Read ~~the~~

Monday, March 27, 1939

86th day — 279 days follow

The day is not conducive to cleaning but W. & I had planned to clean today so we went at it - & it was hard work all day because we were not in the proper mood for it. We cleaned our bedroom. I slipped down to the laundry room she was running the washer & put things in order for my model tomorrow - Jamie Antin can't come so it is to be Becca Doworth. After supper I took a little nap on the davenport before putting Mike to bed. Later I wrote to Bea & fixed an apron. Specie <sup>men</sup> but came when we were <sup>in</sup> <sup>an</sup>

Tuesday, March 28, 1939

87th day — 278 days follow

Rebecca Doworth came at 9:30 to have her portrait painted. I had a time at first posing her to get her eyes going the same way, but I had a resemblance of her before lunch. She had lunch with us & before four the picture was done. Seigie & Jo came over, with two of their kids, to criticize it - They both liked it. But Hugie did not! He came home at 5 - & mixed us each a highball after supper Hugie & I finally decided to go to the roller skating party at Keala given by golf girls. We both skated but he soon outdid me. It was all lots of fun.

Wednesday, March 29, 1939

88th day — 277 days follow

Tried when I got up but not stiff. I washed some curtains & did my ironing at the same time, but dropped both of them occasionally to change some thing in Rebecca's picture. After lunch I had more ironing. Glen came with her sewing & offered still more suggestions about the portrait.

Later Mrs. Bible dropped in & I made tea. When they left I had to start cooking supper — Ellen & Mike went to bed early. Henry helping to spread lime on grass. I tried to read Poet too.

Thursday, March 30, 1939

89th day — 276 days follow

A miserable dark drizzly day. I attended to various jobs like cutting my toenails & shellacking lamp shades. I went in Siegie car to Janet's to the Reading club, where we had the usual delicious meal-room sand wicks. Charles ran in & out of the room a couple of times — he is getting enormous and I wondered what they will do with him when he gets more powerful than they. After supper Mr. stayed one while. Hugie & I went to church — Mr. Maynard preached a very good sermon. Then we called on Uncle F. & Grace & got an Easter bunny.

Friday, March 31, 1939

90th day — 275 days follow

I went to church at 9:30  
and stop on the way  
home to see the furniture  
Kate Wittenmyer has for sale  
but I didn't like it. When I  
got home I worked on  
Beck's portrait, changing  
the background from blue  
to brown. After lunch I took  
a nap — Ev. & I both feel  
dizzy & queer today — until  
Martha came with her  
snitting. I darned a great  
heap of stockings. Haven't  
had an afternoon with M.  
Lately I did enjoy it — she  
is unique. After supper Huguie  
went out & I read "Life".  
Siege came in & I was all  
right to see her & go  
to see all

Saturday, April 1, 1939

91st day — 274 days follow

I "fooled" Henry before break-  
fast & he immediately  
fooled his Dad with the  
same trick. Ellen worked  
hard all day to fool some  
one. And Mike was at it  
courteously. I did my wash-  
ing. After lunch Huguie took  
Mike & me to Parrish's office  
where we sat for 2 hours  
to have the doctor look at  
Mike's thumb for 5 minutes  
& pronounce it O.K. Then  
we rushed to the church  
to help polish brass but  
everyone had gone. I  
washed all my plants  
when we got home. After  
supper we went to Mary  
Craig's rather crazy party  
for an old girl.



Sunday, April 2, 1939

92nd day — 273 days follow

Sunday School at 9:45. 3 visitors in the class. Then I went to church & all 3 children went, too. The church was quite full - nice simple Palm Sunday service. Hugie all upset afterward by acolytes stealing. After dinner I watered flowers, looked at papers & finally took a little nap until I could no longer stand Hiloi's pestering me to paint his picture. So I made a pastel, but it looks more like Harry Curtin! Hugie at his office & a bit cross when he came home. Later the Shoppers came over & we had high balls & talked about Peter.

Monday, April 3, 1939

93rd day — 272 days follow

Had to change the sheets on the beds before I could begin my washing & I had to rush to church at 11 before I could finish the washing. I went down town after the short service - litany - & rode home with Hugie. In the afternoon while waiting for the water to get hot I worked on that pastel of Mike again. Finally, I finished washing, watching birds in yard. Becka D. came & brought her picture. Then Martha Curtin & the new Mrs. Curtin came to call. After supper Hugie went out. I sand - chain - o.

Tuesday, April 4, 1939

94th day — 271 days follow

Up early & all set to paint  
Anne when Siegie brought  
her over. We decided on  
pastel. It was getting  
along quite well by 11  
when Siegie took me down  
to church — only a handful  
there again. After lunch  
Hugie & Guy Lyons took the  
water coil out of the fur-  
nace to deliver it. I painted my  
little old washstand & then came  
the person who gave it to me!  
William Sheffer! I hadn't seen  
her for years. Then came Anne  
& Aunt Anne & Siegie & we fixed  
picture a bit & then we all  
had tea. Home coll. fire in fire  
place. After supper I went to  
meeting of S.S. girls & then  
to Cat's to wine club. I was

Wednesday, April 5, 1939

95th day — 270 days follow

Had time for a little  
ironing before going to  
the litany service. Stopped  
to see Siegie on way home.  
They like Anne's picture  
so very much. In the  
afternoon I finished the  
ironing — a lot of church  
linen, too and was wash-  
ing windows when Gen  
& Bob Waller stopped in.  
Fortunately, they didn't  
stay, as I had to dress  
to go with Hugie to State  
College. We shopped a bit  
& then had supper & went  
to see Basil Rathbone as  
Sherlock Holmes in "Hound  
of the Baskervilles". Pretty  
good. Home early so we  
read a bit & then it was

Thursday, April 6, 1939

96th day — 269 days follow

Most horrible rainy day.  
Hugie decided to go with  
me to church at 9:30.  
so I got a ride. There were  
quite a lot of people in  
church. I did a little  
shopping & then went back  
for the 10 o'clock service but  
no one else came & Mr. S. & I  
were each glad! Woods from  
gave me a lift home. I framed  
Mike's postcard before lunch.  
Got a ride with Gen to the  
Reading Club at Winifred's  
I made sketches of 4 of them  
but they were pretty bad. I  
finally got a walk home &  
Manny walked with me. In  
the evening I read *Arizona*  
C. B. Chubb in Post- & wrote  
note to Mr. [unclear] retiring.

Good Friday, April 7, 1939

97th day — 268 days follow

Did my washing and  
burned my hands with  
the hot water & was glad  
of it! I had an early  
lunch & went to church  
at 12 for the Three Hours.  
Mr. Sayre gave my good  
talks on the Seven Words.  
Ellen Henry & Mike joined me  
& I had a time sending  
them off. They were there 1 1/2 hrs.  
When I got home I washed  
a couple windows, wiped  
finger marks off paint  
and put the third floor  
room in order. After sup-  
per Hugie & I drove to Lewis-  
town to meet Heinie & Bo.  
Mule F. was there to meet Fred.  
we had some beer when we  
got home & talked till 12.

Saturday, April 8, 1939

98th day — 267 days follow

Had nice lazy breakfast with Heinie & Beau. Made the beds etc & then ran out forth down town to buy Mike some shoes. Hugie brought us home. After lunch I got busy fixing old hats into Easter bunnets, Hugie didn't like Ellen's so he took her down town & brought her one! Heinie took a nap & I talked to Beau. At four Heinie & I went over to Martha's to have a cup of tea with Cat, Becky & Deborah — very nice. After supper I had to go down town to buy eggs I forgot! I left them with Heinie & Beau. Fred was here

Easter Sunday, April 9, 1939

99th day — 266 days follow

The children woke us at 8 & we went down stairs while they hunted for eggs & Easter baskets. Soon after breakfast it was time to go to church. I wore my renovated Easter bonnet & a corsage made of the roses Hugie gave me & Ellen said I looked like an over decorated Easter egg! When we got home, the elders hunted for baskets the kids had made & hid for us. Helped w. with dishes, not around till four o'clock. children's service. Bridget & Jen came to call — later while eating supper the Sigs & then the Gladders came and they



Monday, April 10, 1939

100th day — 265 days follow

Beau & Heinie & I had a late breakfast. Heinie helped me make beds while Beau gathered up clothes for me to wear for him! he went out & received the estate in the nice sunshine. After lunch, Hugie drove us to Twinstown where we said sad farewells to our guests. Home soon after three so I put on my gardening clothes & dug manure into the asparagus bed. After supper I went to an Auxiliary meeting where Rev. Mr. Dugan spoke of his life in Chile. I was sleepy in spite of being interested. Helped wash the dishes & asked Mrs. [unclear] to [unclear]

Tuesday, April 11, 1939

101st day — 264 days follow

I had to go over to Osceola to see Dr. Harkins about food getting into my nose from the socket. Scigio went over with me. In the afternoon I had to do my great big washing and finally at five I was finished & sat in living room to read "Arizona". Little Jamie Spencer (Margaret Burnett's daughter) was here playing with Ellen. After supper Hugie stayed with children while I went to Martha's to the Bridge club. Had a peaceful evening playing with Cat & we won, too.

Wednesday, April 12, 1939

102nd day—263 days follow

Hugie has another cold. I left him sleeping in bed & went to the laundry or rather, studio, to paint Jane Austin's picture. I decided to do it in pastel & had to go over to Siegie's to get the pastels. Hugie slept until lunch time when he had breakfast. Jane stayed here to lunch. The picture was very good but not of Jane - called up Siegie to come over to see it & then it began to look like her! She had to go to Scout meeting. I made tea for Hugie. After supper I sat with him & talked a little.

Thursday, April 13, 1939

103rd day—262 days follow

Daddy's birthday - no letter from Cousin Nan who has died, but one from Bea. I ironed & ironified dropt in to the laundry & we discussed the Reading club trip this summer. After lunch I gathered together stuff to knit new cuffs on one of Uncle's sweaters & went to the Reading club at Beola's. Much argument about where to go for our trip - Reliance, Westport. After supper Ellen went to the movies with little Jamie Spencer. I read "Life". Hugie worked on his stamps, he seems to be feeling better, but doesn't admit it.

Friday, April 14, 1939

104th day — 261 days follow

Not so very cold - 45°. So I went out to finish digging manure into the asparagus bed. After lunch I went down town with Hugie to pay all my bills & walked home in the rain. Read my garden encyclopedia until Martha came over. She has bought my silver coffee cups for \$5. Ellen came in almost in tears because of big spots of ink on the yellow sweater Martha just put her. Little Jamie Spencer was here to supper. Hugie took me to see "Idiot's Delight" with Norma Shearer & Clark Gable. It was

Saturday, April 15, 1939

\* P.M.

105th day — 260 days follow.

Did my washing in the morning and cleaned the laundry & marvelled over the fact that Ellen said she cleaned the play room. I couldn't see where. After lunch I went out to trim the big arborescences to try to make them grow bushier. Glen came with her sewing. I tried to start a dress for Ellen but didn't feel much like it. I had to get supper - Ev. "has off" until Monday! There is a dance at the club to night, but due to our health we are not going. Hugie worked at stamps. I wrote a long letter to Mary.

Sunday, April 16, 1939

106th day — 259 days follow

I didn't get up until 8:30. Ellen already had given the boys their breakfast. I ate mine & filled the chicken & put it in the oven & was off to Sunday School. Mr. Sayer is away so I felt no compunction about missing church but came home to make beds & cook the dinner. The children helped me with the dishes & then their friends came to play. I lay on davenport dozing all afternoon. Hugh came back from his office, restless & unhappy. Oh, if we could only get this house paid for. I wrote to Olive & to Max Beebe. Sophie came

Monday, April 17, 1939

107th day — 258 days follow

Evagene helped me make the beds clean before I went down to the washing. After lunch I had to hang it up - in doors. it is still raining & horrible wet. Then I took a rest for an hour & then started to clean the living room bookcase, but spent a lot of the time reading & looking at the old clothing. Maggie came in with her black net dress to give me. I tried it on - nice. After supper I finished the books, & mended a dress of Ellen's while Hugh worked on S. H. R. estate.



Tuesday, April 18, 1939

108th day - 257 days follow

I went up to the attic & cleaned the cedar drawers. I was greatly pleased to find that they were neither dusty nor moth-eaten. After lunch I went up again to do the cupboards.

The telephone rang 3 times & Becca Downorth rang the door bell once - she wants me to fix her portrait a bit.

But I finally got the 3rd floor fixed to my satisfaction & went to the laundry to iron. The children were home by that time. After supper I took Ellen to the Scouts & then Hugo took me to Beech Creek, but Aunt Gertrude is still in N. Y. so we went on & called on <sup>my mother</sup> ~~my mother~~.

Wednesday, April 19, 1939

109th day - 256 days follow

I was all set to paint Anne Dale, but as mine had just been painted that day my mother planned that she was sick. Disappointing. But I got a few odd jobs done upstairs & then began to wash the living room windows. Got two done before lunch. In the afternoon I did the other two. Fortunately Sergio dropped in & helped me open one of them. Later I thinned out my little seedlings & now have 3 boxes of lupines where I had one. I had to cook supper tonight - children helped me. Hugo went to club with Bill. I wrote to Mrs. Appel & them to bed to read.

Thursday, April 20, 1939

110th day — 255 days follow

I spent the morning polishing silver in order to look fine for the Reading club. After lunch I arranged a little bouquet of crocuses & african violets for the table & then got dressed. The girls soon began to arrive — ten of them and we talked at great length about the High School & Jimmie Hughes' resignation from the board — all of which we know very little about. We made 44 pieces of my special toast which was appreciated. After supper I stretched a canvas, hemmed a dress & then read while the "stars" came.

Friday, April 21, 1939

111th day — 254 days follow

Anne Dale arrived just so I had got the beds made & we settled down to paint her picture. It went well in the morning, looked quite like her by lunch time. But in the afternoon it seemed to change. My eyes hurt, too. I'm afraid I'll have to get glasses to do this work. Later I got us each a high ball & took her upstairs to see cedar closets & my wedding dress! At supper time there was the most perfect rain bow in the sky that we had ever seen. Hugie & I went to see "Dodge City" in movies.

Saturday, April 22, 1939

112th day - 253 days follow

Still cloudy & rainy - I haven't yet struck a nice day to put my wash out doors. Washed the doll baby's clothes with my washing today - we are going to put her away now for Ellen's little girl. After lunch I cut the boys' hair in the wind on the lower porch. Then I saw Ellen's & her friends play - much changing of scenery. Finally I went out & planted foxglove, c-bells & delphinium seedlings in their proper bed. After supper Huguie took the whole family to state to see the college circus in the gym. It was really very entertaining & the children loved it and behaved well. Home at 10!

Sunday, April 23, 1939

113th day - 252 days follow

A beautiful day at last. I went to church at 8 & to Sunday school after breakfast, but then I came home to get to work on my washing. Had to hang it up in the laundry after dinner but finally got out to rake my asparagus bed. Huguie & the children were playing baseball out there. I cut away dead stuff from last year's plants & worked around generally until dark - I was dead tired. Supper - put away wash, mended Henry's pants, packed & at last bed.

Monday, April 24, 1939

114th day - 251 days follow

Up at six, Hugie & I, &  
off at seven thirty to  
Lancaster, with the children  
waving good-bye. It was  
a beautiful day getting  
warmer along the way.  
We met Beau at the train  
in Lancaster & went to Mr.  
Forney's office to discuss  
the office building. We then  
had nice lunch at the  
Brunswick & then back  
to Mr. Forney. Later we ex-  
amined the office & drove  
west to the cemetery - S.E.R.  
& S.H.R. side by side - Then  
we met Jack & Mary Baus-  
man at hotel & had cock-  
tails. Said good-bye to Beau  
& went to Mrs. Appels & dinner  
w/ her & to see  
Then Susan -

Tuesday, April 25, 1939

115th day - 250 days follow

Hugie & I did not sleep too (o)  
well in Mrs. Appels' big bed -  
too many trolley cars. I went  
to market with belly & got  
some plants for my garden.  
Then belly, Hugie & I dozed  
old clothes & went thru  
the attic of the office &  
packed a lot of stuff  
in the car to bring home.  
Nice lunch at the Appels  
& then we were on our  
way home in the heat.  
Stop in Harrisburg to  
look for stamp album.  
Stop again to buy a  
windmill to put on  
play house. Home at 8.  
I was dead tired. Ellen  
at scout meeting but we  
let her walk home. Red caly



Wednesday, April 26, 1939

116th day - 249 days follow

I felt too sick in the morning to get up sort of ptomaine. Before lunch I managed to get up + to hang out the blankets + stuff I had brought from the attic - dirty, rotten things. But I couldn't eat any lunch + fell asleep on davenport until Siegie came in + woke me. She went home + got some peppermint for me + it made me feel better so I finally got out to bring the blankets in. Then Yoh's brother came + we looked over the trees. After supper Huguie took me to see Gingham Rogers + F. Astoria in "Mrs. Lang. Castle".

Ellen out till after 10 at Pres.  
Thursday, April 27, 1939 "Fanny Reuble" album

117th day - 248 days follow

Feel fine today, so I got busy cleaning up the junk we brought from Lancaster. Then I had to clean the filthy laundry + the next thing I knew it was lunch time. When I came back from taking the children to school I pulled a few weeds - I was at it until a man came selling apples + I discovered it was 2 o'clock - so I rushed over to Siegie's to the Reading club. "Fanny Reuble" is a hit down reading. Huguie sat to supper, so I ~~planted~~ the Fara. ~~plants~~ while children ate ~~supper~~ on steps. Wrote to Mrs. ~~by~~ pal + later ironed.

Friday, April 28, 1939

118th day - 247 days follow

Mike is feeling like I felt on Wednesday, so he stayed in bed. Yoke's brother came to straighten & trim a few trees & of course, I stayed out to watch him. But finally I got to the laundry & washed a lot of extra sheets. In the afternoon I took a nap until Martha came over. Mike was with no, sort of like the old days when he was a baby.

I did my darning. Later while the children were getting & eating their supper I wrote to Betty Eberman (now widow) & to Beau. Then I ate cereal & Hugie came home & I went to join to the bridge club - we had no fun - being

Saturday, April 29, 1939

119th day - 246 days follow

Spent the morning washing & helping Ellen clean the playroom. In the afternoon Hugie decided to work around here so I got him to go with me to the Siegs to dig up a willow tree they don't want to plant it here. Ellen & I also planted a bush Martha gave me & some Lily bulbs. Then, nearly four, we went to her room to clean the drawers & book case. And we made beautiful order out of that chaos. After supper Hugie put up the little wire-mill from Quinly Hall. Mike began having troubles again. I put away the wash & then settled on dinner & bread

Sunday, April 30, 1939

120th day - 245 days follow

Up at one to change poor  
Hilse's bed. Up again at 7:30  
to go to church - Ellen & Hugie  
went, too. Then breakfast  
& back again to Sunday  
School. The lessons are  
so interesting now that  
the time is not long enough.  
Came home afterward to do  
many little chores that  
have been hanging around  
for ages. Hilse got up for  
dinner. In the afternoon  
I sanded the top of the little  
table from Lancaster & wiped  
it. It is horrible out, cold,  
raining & even a little snow.  
After supper I wrote to Mai  
about Table & fooled around  
at my desk & with Hugie.  
He is in fine spirit & -

Monday, May 1, 1939

121st day - 244 days follow

May Day & a beautiful  
sunshiny morning. But  
Hugie was sick in the  
night & Ellen doesn't  
feel well & stayed home.  
But I let them get on by  
themselves & Edwina & I  
got to work on Ellen's  
bedroom. Worked all  
afternoon, too and got  
the children's bathroom  
scrubbed from top to toe.  
Hugie & Ellen kept each  
other company in the  
living room. We got a  
telegram this morning  
that Mary will come on  
Wed. to visit! After supper  
I took papers to Mr. Sayre,  
got kids to bed & Hugie &  
I went to bed & read a bit

Tuesday, May 2, 1939

122nd day — 243 days follow

Hugie stayed in bed, but Anne Dale came at 9:30 + I painted her over again and got a much nicer picture. She went to get a permanent in the afternoon, so I painted her hair the way she said it would be! I finished the picture in the afternoon without a rush + then made Hugie some tea + sat with him looking at old letters of Uncle Ed's that we got in June. for the stamps. After supper I got Ellen at the school + then left for Hugie alone while I went to Martha's to a talking party in honor of Robert + Laura.

just as we were about to go to bed + stayed till we finally did go to bed.

Wednesday, May 3, 1939

123rd day — 242 days follow

Hugie + every one seems to be in good health today. I did my washing + hung it out in the nice sunshine. After lunch I cleaned both bathrooms + got the guest room in readiness for Mary. Her little table looks so pretty in it. Then I ironed Ellen's curtains + Bridget + Gen dropped into the Laundry! When they left I put away the wash + got all ready to receive Martha + the volunteers but they didn't come until nearly supper time. After supper Hugie + I went to Swistown to meet Mary who looks just as young as ever — Bill King came in.



Letter from Mari, who is mad  
that I took the table!

Thursday, May 4, 1939

124th day -- 241 days follow

Mary & I break fasted to-  
gether, made the beds  
& finally went out in the  
warm sunshine to look  
over the "estate" which she  
saved about just as much  
as she did the house. We  
transplanted some tomato  
plants in boxes. After  
lunch we went to Cat's  
to the Reading club. There  
were not many there &  
it was not very exciting.  
I had to cook supper -  
Ed's right out - & we finished  
just in time to go to see  
Prince Charming to the Palace  
which Ellen, Jane Walker, Jean  
Dancy & Rosella Levine put  
on in play room. A scream!  
made \$1.60 at 5¢ a ticket!

Friday, May 5, 1939

125th day - 240 days follow

Mary & I break fasted quite  
promptly but we fooled  
around, looking at the  
flowers shooting up in the  
warm sun and looking  
over old clothes in the  
attic - but finally we went  
down the street to watch  
them pulling the High School  
walls down - but nothing  
happened while we were  
there, except a workman  
tried to pick us up. After  
lunch I dined & Mary  
wrote letters until Martha  
came to tea. After supper  
I wrote to Mari about the  
table, got Mike to bed &  
then Mary & I went to Jo's  
to play bridge with her &  
Cat Lane. Got very sleepy.

Saturday, May 6, 1939

126th day - 239 days follow

Breakfasting with Mary made it quite late before I got to my washing. She sat with me part of the time but was off picking flowers with Miles when it was time to hang it up. After lunch I had to finish a bit of ironing & bring in the wash, but was finally ready to go with Mary & Hugie to Beech Creek, dressed in a pink dress as it is warm today. Aunt Gertie had a family tea party for Mary & from there we moved on to Orchard Hill where Aunt Dorothy had a buffet supper & lots to drink. Most all the Quigleys were there - my niece-brother.

Sunday, May 7, 1939

127th day - 238 days follow

Up just in time to get some breakfast before going to church - Duncan, Sunday School & church afterward. Mary went to church with us. Then I worked about making beds etc & getting the family ready to go to a delicious & most pleasant dinner at Uncle Ted's. It was stifling hot there & every where. When we got home I stitched a dress for Mary & one for myself - was 1909 pink linen suit! Jo came in. Late supper as usual but Mary made sandwiches. We sat around chatting & reading papers.

Monday, May 8, 1939

228th day - 237 days follow

after I had a few chores done & Mary was finally dressed we went to the studio to paint her portrait. Henry stayed at home from school today. The picture got a good start. After lunch we continued it and later Cat Lorne came in & pronounced it good. We had tea then & afterward they left to go down to Uncle Fred's & I blissfully stretched out onavenport & dozed. After supper Mary stayed with kids while Margie & I went to meetings down at the church. When we got home Charlie Scott came to call.

Tuesday, May 9, 1939

129th day - 236 days follow

Had the washing to do again & Mary spent the morning dressing and doing her finger nails. I would hate to spend as much time on any person as she does. After lunch she wanted to go to see Mary Blanchard so I worked on my little seedlings and transplanted Martha's violet which turned out to be nice! At six Uncle Fred & Grace came to dinner. The children were at it & all was very nice. The guests seemed to enjoy it. At 8 when they left we had highballs & a few more chat.

Wednesday, May 10, 1939

130th day - 235 days follow

Mary was busy packing while I was putting away wash & making beds & then Hugie came to take us to Lewisburg where she got her train. I enjoyed her visit but was not sorry to see her go. The kids had gone to school when we got home. After lunch I went out in the front to plant flower seeds. Hugie cut grass. Gen came up to see me & talked while I planted. She made tea for us. Pa, Gen & Buckey, they don't seem to have any job. I cooked supper. After kids were in bed, I worked for two hours. Hugie &

Thursday, May 11, 1939

131st day - 234 days follow

Rather pleasant eating breakfast with the Poos once more! I figured out my bills & went down town to pay them & also bought myself a couple of house dresses. In the afternoon I went to Mary Craig & the Reading club. "Fanny" was a little more interesting - about negroes in 1830. We discussed a trip to Winifred's camp in Pocomo. Siegie walked home with me & I gave her a violet. After supper when I got the children to bed I got to work on the memo that my duck has gotten into! Hugie was at



Friday, May 12, 1939

132nd day - 233 days follow

I did my washing & watered my little tomato plants etc. After lunch I "stirled" my onion sets, the ground was very hard & hurt my fingers but the day was gorgeous and I just sat & gazed at the hills most of the time. Hugie came home early & cut grass. I went to Mrs. Hunters & got some plants she had for me, & planted them, & worked outdoors till supper time. In the evening, kids in bed, I settled down to read *Life* - just then Bill & Dingie came in & we had supper.

Saturday, May 13, 1939



133rd day - 232 days follow.

Had breakfast in bed, read the Post a bit before I fell asleep. After lunch I read "Life" until Deborah came - I had called her up, as it is such a rainy dismal day. We had a pleasant chat and tea and I got quite a bit of darning done. After supper I took another nap: until it was past time to get the children to bed. And later I managed to persuade Hugie to read to me from the "Reader's Digest" while I finished the darning - even Boo's sock. Then I studied S.S. Coon.

Aunt Daler Davis came in while  
I mended a hole in Aunt's  
Sunday, May 14, 1939 sweater.

134th day — 231 days follow

Got up in time to hurry  
through breakfast and  
get to Sunday School  
during the first hymn.  
How I hate to teach S.S.  
Those girls don't care  
what I say — all they  
think of is selling jello  
to make money for their  
guild. I did not go to  
church but came home  
to make the beds & tidy  
rooms a bit. At dinner  
I was presented with all  
kinds of Mother's day cards  
& a box of candy from Ellen  
& Henry!! Later I tried on  
dresses & Singie came in,  
& asked for advice on  
remodelling them. I said  
to her I did not like

Monday, May 15, 1939

135th day — 230 days follow

European and I clean-  
ed the boys bedroom  
today, & a job it was  
with all the junk in  
it, all the white furni-  
ture to be scrubbed and  
the book case. Time out  
for lunch & I helped  
her with the dishes  
so we could hurry  
back to the cleaning  
and it was supper  
time before we finished.  
Hughie came home to  
plant his corn and  
Henry planted his  
carrots after school.  
When I got time to  
bed I went to bed my-  
self & read the Post  
until Hughie came up.

Tuesday, May 16, 1939

136th day — 229 days follow

Did a large washing  
extras to be given to the  
Rummage Sale - and  
got it all hung out  
on the line just in time  
to be ready to go with  
Siegie to the club to the  
ladies golf luncheon.  
She & I were able to play  
together, but we didn't  
do very well - we each  
had an 84 but she beat  
me on holes. My, but I  
was tired - golf is worse  
than housecleaning!  
after supper I watered  
various plants & bushes  
& when the boys were in  
bed I settled on davenport  
to read Post. Ellen is out  
practising for her <sup>late</sup> hour

Wednesday, May 17, 1939

137th day — 228 days follow

At last! a whole day  
with nothing to do  
but work in the garden.  
I prepared the soil & then  
planted a row of lettuce  
& a row of wax beans  
before lunch & afterward  
planted 6 hills of squashes  
& fixed the ground for  
timothy hets & Ellen's spin-  
ach. Angie came home to  
plant grass seed & we  
were having a fine time  
out front - I, planting  
allspice by that time - when  
Martha came. I came in  
with her & made tea  
& after she left with some  
seedlings to plant, I fini-  
shed out front & got supper  
ready. Read Post - Ellen out

Thursday, May 18, 1939

138th day — 227 days follow

I am so rushed these days that today I had to wash & iron at the same time. It worked fine until the hose slipped out of the tub & the water went on the floor. After lunch Gen took me in her car up to Janets to the R. club. I took some skirts to shorten & then found I couldn't shorten them. Am mad because I forgot to go to church this morning. Ascension Day. After supper I finished my ironing, went for Ellen down at the Seatts at 8:30 & wrote a long letter to Heinie about her

Friday, May 19, 1939

139th day — 226 days follow

A fine, sunny morning so Evagene & I got to work on the main porch, washing all the paint. By lunch time we were there, but so were my arms. However, we got to work on Hugh's little dressing room. I was supposed to go to a tea at Martha Curtis' but Siegie came for me before I had started to dress & a thunder storm seemed to be coming so I decided not to go. Helped Ev. finish the room instead. After supper I rode out with Siegie to get some ~~fruit~~. Read ~~Life~~ after getting Ellen home



Saturday, May 20, 1939

140th day — 225 days follow

Was all set to paint Mary McComick's portrait this morning when I got a letter from Lark Haven saying she couldn't make it. Very annoying. However, I cleaned the laundry & helped Ellen with the playroom. After lunch Hugie took Mary to a track meet, Ellen went to be in the Girl Scout May Day that she's been practicing for every night & twice went to see it with the Sings. So, I all alone, had a beautiful time washing blankets & planting my house plants out doors. Read Post after supper & at ten the Sings came to call! We all sat & talked until twelve.

Sunday, May 21, 1939

141st day — 224 days follow

Went to church at 8 & after breakfast went back to Sunday school. But then came home & put lots of odd things out to sun on the upper porch, washed them etc & made beds, etc. In the afternoon I mended a pile of clothes that's been waiting for ages. And Hugie painted the floor of the upper porch until finally a thunder storm drove him in. A real rain followed at last & we were all glad on account of garden. The Sheffers came over later & we sat in laundry while I ironed curtains. ☉

Monday, May 22, 1939

142nd day — 223 days follow

Evagran & I got to work on our bathroom & the hall — there was an awful lot of paint and it was lunch time before we had got very far. I got Hugie to take main stolen table to Thompson to crate & ship it. Poor little table. Evagran & I continued, scrubbing, waxing, polishing. The children came running home from school just ahead of a bad thunder storm. After supper Hugie went out & I went to bed to read after the children were in bed. But he came home soon & got into his bed & read to me while I mended!

Wonderful double-diving  
picture at luncheon  
Tuesday, May 23, 1939  
Hotel, Suva & Amaka

143rd day — 222 days follow

Cloudy when I woke up so I thought with rejoicing that I wouldn't have to play golf. I did a great big mending but by the time it was ready to hang up the sun was shining & I hung it out doors, and after lunch I got ready to go with Sigio & Cat Lane to the club. There were only six of us there and I won a prize, only it was the baby! I had an 88 — enough to make me give up the game. After supper we left the children alone & went with Bill Mc Cord to see Charles in Beach Combs.

Wednesday, May 24, 1939

144th day — 221 days follow

Rushed around separating wash etc before morning. Bill Curtin's wife came to have her portrait painted. We decided on a profile and it got a good start. She stayed to lunch and we worked until three thirty when I took her home in the car as Hugie was here painting porch. She is going to have a baby & I was afraid she was tired. I put a few more touches to it, cleaned up & then went out with Hugie & painted a chair! After supper Hugie went to his office - I wrote to Lily about table & then read pot.

Thursday, May 25, 1939

modeling Betty Wolf's ex. dress

145th day — 220 days follow for myself!

Got my stuff ready for the rummage sale & then went to the laundry to do my ironing. After lunch Hugie dropped me & my stuff at the rummage sale room and I worked there among the dirty smelly clothes until four when Hugie kindly took me to Pecky Muller's where the Reading club was holding forth. Had big tea there & when I got home I painted porch chairs until dark. Mr. Sayre came to call for an hour. Nice. Hugie at club. ~~Reading Club~~ + ~~club~~

Bid & Bo Austin came for  
sommers picture  
Friday, May 26, 1939

146th day - 219 days follow

Another nice hot  
cleaning day. Wagon  
& I got to work on the  
living room. It took  
all morning to wipe  
off the venetian blinds  
me, that is. And at  
two I went with Siegie  
to the school party  
given by first grade.  
It was hot & I hate  
listening to children sing  
& I didn't do anything  
special. Finally got  
home to go on with  
the cleaning. We were  
almost there by supper  
time. During the cleaning  
later. Hagie quit us  
all with the horse. I  
saved for on - dress.

Saturday, May 27, 1939

147th day - 218 days follow

A big washing to do in  
a hurry because I had  
to be down at the rum-  
mage sale at twelve-  
thirty. It seemed like  
a slow sale but in  
the end it turned out  
we made over \$120.  
Gen was there working  
two and came home  
with me afterward to  
see how nice the living  
room looks in its summer  
arrangement & to have  
tea. After supper Hagie  
& I slept at the Lones  
to show Martha my dress  
& John gave no drinks.  
We finally went to the  
dance which I enjoyed  
very much - home before



Sunday, May 28, 1939

148th day - 217 days follow

ugh, this awful task of teaching Sunday School. I came home afterward & smoked a cigarette before going back to church with Hugie. It is Whitsunday so we had communion & no sermon! It was very hot any way. In the afternoon I mowed a bit & then as Hugie was so energetically painting the porch floor I went out & mowed a bit, but got tired of that & painted a chair instead, but my heart was not in it. Finally it was suppertime. Read the papers & bed.

Monday, May 29, 1939

149th day - 216 days follow

Today Wagon & I got an early start on cleaning the lower hall and dining room. Lunch was a nuisance and I wished I'd sent the family some other place to eat. I got very tired cleaning and it seemed as if the day & the work would never come to an end. Finally it was suppertime & we still weren't thru. We had Ellen mending the wiper over the floors. After supper I had one more blind to clean - the 17th & then in the house, thank goodness & I went to bed & read for a while.

## Memorial Day.

Tuesday, May 30, 1939

150th day — 215 days follow

Hugie & the child den went off to the parade but I stayed at home to do the ironing and to stretch the wedding veil "curtains" for the dining room. Ellen came home & screamed, she was all upset by four girls fainting in the parade. After lunch Siegie came over for a little while & when she left I painted more porch chairs. Brought in the wash & discovered it was late & I had to cook supper! But Hugie was later getting home from golf. Planted tomato seedlings. Read Post.

Wednesday, May 31, 1939

151st day — 214 days follow

Nothing on my mind but I had to do today. So I sat in the cool on the lower porch & gave the chairs their final coat. And tried to clean dresses in gasoline without much success. In the afternoon I painted & planted some of the house plants and did my ironing. It was a frightfully hot day. When the children came home they played in the hose. Mike was at his first school picnic today. After supper I planted more tomato plants & read the Post. Hugie out.

Thursday, June 1, 1939

152nd day — 213 days follow

It looks as if it really would rain now, so I went out to plant my geraniums + lupine. The perspiration poured off of me altho there was no sun. And it didn't rain! I took a bath before lunch and in the afternoon, all dressed up like a lady for a change, I went to Martha's to the Reading club. We actually finished "Fanny Hill" + there was great rejoicing. After supper I put the sprinklers on my gardens, and got wet every time I turned them. Hugie's stamping "I'm

Friday, June 2, 1939

153rd day — 212 days follow

Took Ellen + five of her friends to Hella Park to the school picnic. Yesterday was Henry's - three in a row! Hurried back to get started cleaning the kitchen with Evagene. I washed the walls over stove + radiator. While she was getting lunch I scrubbed even the ceiling of the little kitchen porch. We were at it all afternoon + later Hugie came home with a beautiful new blue Ford. He said the picnics were the old one best! After supper I pulled a few weeds, polished kit. + wrote to Heinie.

very nice supper & then  
Saturday, June 3, 1939 <sup>bridge.</sup>

154th day — 211 days follow

Did my washing -  
went out to see if it  
were going to clear  
& spent a long time  
talking to Mrs. Witter  
while my poor washing  
durned. In the after-  
noon I took Ellen &  
Harry & Mike down town  
for new shoes. Mike  
stuck with me all after-  
noon while I paid  
bills & tried to find my-  
self some white shoes.  
Got home at five which  
was the time we were  
to pick up Mary Craig  
& go to their cabin near  
the club. While Mary  
cooked supper I cut out  
a corner for her chair.

Sunday, June 4, 1939

155th day — 210 days follow

Went to church at 8 -  
Ellen & Mike went with  
me. There was great ex-  
citement as Mrs. Thackeray  
visiting the ~~past~~ Sayres  
fainted - a queer kind of  
faint in which she got  
stiff. I tried to help Mrs. S.  
hodge her & couldn't. Mr.  
Purnell helped. Later of course  
there was Sunday School.  
Then I did my chores &  
got to work on Mary's  
slip cover. After dinner  
I can't time, even after  
Siegie came over with  
Ann's picture for me to  
frame. It is her wedding  
day so we had a drink.  
Tied up old blue bowl of hair  
to send to Ann Dale. Read



Monday, June 5, 1939

156th day — 209 days follow

wagon & I cleaned  
the stairs floor today.  
The drawers & cupboards  
had been done & we  
used to vacuum cleaner  
on the floors so we were  
finished by noon. Hugie  
didn't come home to lunch  
(Rotary with Jim Craig) so  
all we had was baked  
beans! In the afternoon  
I polished silver, the  
upstairs silver & then  
that in the dining room.  
It took me until sup-  
per time. I liked being  
alone in the cool breeze  
in the clean kitchen!  
Hugie had visiting meeting  
walked over to Maas  
— got a murder to

Tuesday, June 6, 1939

157th day — 208 days follow

Did my washing in a  
hurry so as to meet  
Ellen down town to buy  
her another pair of  
shoes! She cried when  
I ordered Oxford shoes, so I got  
her white pumps, of all  
things! Hugie brought  
us home, also Mr. Man-  
field, sp. agent, who had  
lunch with us. When  
they left I swept the porch  
& scrubbed the rugs for  
it & scrubbed & arranged  
a window box for ferns  
for on the porch. Then  
Martha came — tea. I  
tried to darn. Singie came  
too. After supper Hugie &  
I planted some willows.  
He went to office & I to bed & read.

Ellen & Henry went on excursion  
to State College in train!

Wednesday, June 7, 1939

158th day - 207 days follow

Mrs. Thompson - Magda-  
lene - arrived at 9:30 to  
have her picture painted.  
There was no wind or  
rain so I decided to  
do it on the back porch  
where she would be  
more comfortable and  
could look at the  
mountains. By lunch time  
we had a good likeness.  
She stayed to lunch, talk-  
ing a blue streak. By 3 it  
was done & we looked  
at the gardens. Then Hugo  
took her home & took me &  
the Siego to the club to golf.  
C. beat me - I had 82! It  
was lovely down there. We  
had supper there - C. & I  
played Russian Bank. Fine.

Thursday, June 8, 1939

159th day - 206 days follow

Nike has a temperature  
of  $103\frac{1}{2}$  this morning. No  
other symptoms. He  
slept & ate & I went  
down and washed & changed  
blankets. After lunch  
I stayed with him, but  
hated to miss the Read-  
ing club. Nike's temp.  
stayed up so I got Dick  
Hoffman to come to see  
him but he couldn't tell  
anything. I read & Nike  
and gave him an enema  
which he didn't like  
at all. When Henry came  
home I went out to weed  
& salt the asparagus  
bed. Ev. off so we had  
cold supper. I went  
later when all was quiet.

Friday, June 9, 1939

160th day — 205 days follow

Nike's temperature is down to 101 today but he looks sick today. He slept & I went to the laundry to do the washing. In the afternoon I sat with Nike and read many books to him about mice & rabbits, so cute. & later I went out in the garden & found the rabbits had eaten Nike's beets & there was a little mouse in my rock garden. After supper I put away wash & cleaned things up in general while Angie did odd jobs for me. I read "Life" a bit — C.

Saturday, June 10, 1939

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161st day — 204 days follow

Nike seems to be feeling better. I ate my breakfast in his room while he nibbled a bit. Then I went back to bed to rest up. Because after lunch I drove Ellen & Henry & Kerbie Malin to a park in Tyronne where the archdeaconry had a joint service and picnic. Bishop Brown was there. The children had a grand time, & I spent the time talking to Mrs. Sayre, very nice. We hurried home so I could go to Anne Dahl's wedding — she looked dear. Then Brigley & Gen came up & we had tea.

Sunday, June 11, 1939

162nd day — 203 days follow

Went to church at 8 -  
Ellen went with me &  
we took Eleanor Martin  
home afterward. Went to  
Sunday school, too &  
when I got home washed  
& made seven beds. We  
got the guest rooms ready  
Mike is not feeling as  
well today as yesterday.  
After dinner Hagie took  
the children to meet the  
train in Lewis town. C. Sieg  
came in for a few moments.  
Dread to Mike & finally  
our guests arrived, Heini  
& her friend, Miss Hansen  
who is head of the library  
school at Pratt. We had  
supper & Hagie went to  
the farm to see the

Monday, June 12, 1939

163rd day — 202 days follow

Miss Hansen & Heini slept  
late up in the third floor.  
Later we showed Miss H.  
the house & grounds &  
sat out in the sun where  
Heini & I pulled a few  
weeds. After lunch we  
looked at the family al-  
bums till we got sleepy  
& then napped. I on Heini's  
bed near Mike who is  
feeling much better.  
Then Winifred came to  
see me about going  
to her camp next week.  
Someone came to see  
Heini & I sat with Mike.  
After supper Hagie had  
a meeting & I took a  
walk with my guests.  
We all went to bed early.



Tuesday, June 13, 1939

164th day - 201 days follow

Poor little Mike is vomiting & uncomfortable so I got the doctor to come to see him again. This time he said it is jaundice!

Meanwhile I had started a portrait of Miss Hansen in her room to be near Mike. We worked on it all afternoon - it is a rainy day. Mike was very good - he is a patient little soul. The portrait turned out to be a good likeness but as usual, not flattering. After supper Huguie took them for a ride. Mike asleep - nice silence. Later we sat around cozily talking & the children retired.

Flay Day.  
Wednesday, June 14, 1939

165th day - 200 days follow

Spent down town with Huguie when he went to work, & searched the town for a croquet set for Huguie. It was nearly eleven when Huguie brought me home. Then I had to start my washing! Ev. got lunch ready & then left - there is a drum & bugle contest. There is an American Legion Convention here today & every one is in holiday spirit. Janet D. brought Mrs. Gager to see Miss Hansen. I served tea later. Then they all left to see big parade. I saw part of it down at the next corner. I made shortcake for a party. Huguie & I to Lewiston at 10 P.M. I missed.

Thursday, June 15, 1939

166th day — 199 days follow

Hugie left at 7:30 for his 20<sup>th</sup> reunion at Williams. Last night he had about decided not to go but I think it will be fine for him. I washed & ironed this morning with Heenie's aid. Hugie gave Henry another stamp album & I gave him a croquet set. In the afternoon I went to Reading club while Heenie stayed with Mike. We started a new book "Of Lava Geier" by Maria Davenport. We had 3 guests to supper, Richard W. Herbie M. & Pete S. in honor of Heenie's birthday. Heenie & Siegie & I went to see Irene Dunn & Charles Bayn in "Love Affair" - excellent.

Friday, June 16, 1939

167th day — 198 days follow

I wonder how Hugie is - Heenie & I donned bathing suits & went out to hoe the vegetables. I planted another row of beans. After lunch I worked on Mike's beds until Gen came to stay with Mike while Heenie & I went to Ellen's grade tea party. Fortunately Mrs. Wintner gave us a lift back & forth. Heenie saw lots of her teacher friends. Made lemonade for Gen & Mike. I have a headache & my back is hot with sun burn. We got our own supper. I ironed after every one had gone to bed & then read Post

Saturday, June 17, 1939

168th day — 197 days follow

Went out to finish hoeing my garden & the sun was hot on my red back. After lunch I manicured my toe nails, gave Jack a bath, cut Henry's hair and then when Ellen & her friends & Henry had five quarts of strawberries tilled I began to preserve them. It is frightfully hot today & we are all wearing bathing suits & bare feet! Wilse got tired of bed so we brought him to the kitchen in his pyjamas. We got our own supper. I keep wondering how Huguie is getting along. Henry & I read & went to bed — Dread "H."

Sunday, June 18, 1939

169th day — 196 days follow

Zoo lazy to walk to church at 8 so I didn't go, but I did get there for Sunday School. When I got back Henry & I made the beds & I tried on dresses to see about shortening them etc. Then we went to devill 48 eggs & the shells stuck so we were still working on them after dinner when Catherine Wynn came to take us to the picnic at Beech Creek — all Sunday. Ellen & Henry went & were the nicest looking & behaved children there! Just as we were about to come home Huguie arrived. I was glad to see him! H. & E. went home with W. & Henry & I came home. Huguie, O.

Monday, June 19, 1939

170th day — 195 days follow

Hugie had a grand time at his reunion and has talked about it incessantly. He slept late this morning. Heini helped me with a tremendous washing. It is cold & raining so I kept him in bed. His appetite is coming back, although for the queerest things, like fried bread! At three Mary & Ted Exheimer & Aunt Gertie & Uncle Will arrived. We had a tour of the house & then Hugie came & we had tea. It was very pleasant but I have so much to do!

After supper Heini helped me with my dresses. She & I were in when, while I sat,

Tuesday, June 20, 1939

171st day — 194 days follow

Busy trying to get the week put away, meals ordered & a pair of stockings darned & packed before Grace came for me. Fortunately Hugie & Heini helped. Said good bye to him in bed & everyone at 11 & started for the Poroncos. Martha, Dad & I sat in back, Grace & Janet in front. At picnic lunch, stop & in Freeland for sodas — lots of fun. Got to Winifred's camp at 4:30, found her & Siegie & Peggy waiting for us. We went swimming, all those that could swim. Nice supper at home & then we played bridge. I drank cocktails Hugie sent, to his health. Wish he were here.



Wednesday, June 21, 1939

172nd day — 193 days follow

Our 15<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and Hugo & I far apart! But after our noisy hectic breakfast I sent him a telegram when we went up to the office. Sent lots of post cards, too. Then we went for a nice swim, I rowing them across the lake. When I was washing the lunch dishes a dear telegram came from Hugo in answer to mine. Unlabeled tools some of us out in the motor boat & it ran into shallow water & stuck & the motor roared & we thought we were going to be blown up! But after a little work & much giggling we sailed smoothly home. We had supper at the club. Took row boat ride - played bridge.

Thursday, June 22, 1939

173rd day — 192 days follow

Breakfast went more smoothly but no less noisily. Then we went to the little town to buy presents for our families. We are a bit upset by the fact that Peg is not going to send her car back & we have to all go in Grace's. Peg is queen. We went swimming before lunch & I swam across the lake. Lunch at home & then we rested a bit before taking a beautiful walk up the ravine. Just a stream in high boots. We played Russian bank & drank high-balls when we got back & went for a row till dark when we got ~~our supper~~ here. Later we played bridge for money till 11:00 p.m.

glad to see family again.

Friday, June 23, 1939

Mrs. Daggells from Lymed. Huguie  
Heinie 1740 21st days follow

Kind of rainy so Deb & I finally  
decided not to go swimming.  
Grace took me to the store to  
get a present for Heinie whom  
Dad got. She certainly has  
been nice on this trip. Then  
some of us went for a boat  
ride on the lake. We packed  
& went to the club for lunch.  
We had a great time packing  
what would fit in car &  
what to leave for Peg & Lin.  
Then six of us piled in Grace's  
car, leaving Peg & Lin behind.  
Jim afraid their cars burned.  
We stopped in Danville to see  
Ally Morris married to Harry  
Rees. very pretty simple wedding.  
lots of Bullfunters there. We had  
fine supper in Lewisburg, dropped  
in at home!

Uncle F. & Grace came to call.  
Huguie got home at same time.  
Saturday, June 24, 1939 Pleasant m.

175th day - 190 days follow

Time to be home again.  
Ev. had done my ironing  
& Heinie my washing so  
I had a nice lazy morn-  
ing unpacking and wander-  
ing around the "estate" to  
see what changes had  
occurred in my absence.  
After lunch Martha came  
over with a cake for Tinkles  
& after lunch Siegie came  
in for a while, bath, like  
me, having had a nice trip  
but glad to be home. Heinie  
& I did some weeding  
& some grass cutting &  
then sat on porch with  
high balls. Tinkles wanted Bill  
& Ellen, Jane to stay to supper.  
Huguie & Ev. out so we had  
picnic in woods behind house.

Sunday, June 25, 1939

176th day — 189 days follow

Ellen, Henry & I went to S.S.  
It is the last time for me  
until Sept. but H. & E. have  
to go all summer! Then we  
all went to church - there  
was a Cuban missionary  
Mr. Paloto, preaching & his  
little boy sang a solo,  
with all his might! The  
wife was very nice, too.  
After dinner Heinie helped  
me make the beds. I gave  
the laundry a lick & a  
promise of a better clean-  
ing & finally joined Heinie  
on porch to read - Post.  
She went to Nina's to sup-  
per, I walked part way with  
her. Aggie came & when Ted  
Warner brought my bag we  
had drink. Later Heinie

Monday, June 26, 1939

177th day — 188 days follow

Heinie & I got to work on  
one of the biggest washings  
I have ever done! We  
had to put up more  
clothes line, & then ran  
out of pins. But we  
got it done before lunch.  
So, in the afternoon we  
put on our bathing  
suits & needed. I now  
have to pull flowers  
out of rock garden as  
it is getting too crowded.  
Heinie & I took time out  
at four to eat some of  
Martha's delicious cherry  
pie. After supper we had  
a soft ball game with  
the children. I had just  
settled down to write to Bo  
when Bill Sieg came in -

Tuesday, June 27, 1939

178th day — 187 days follow

Finished Beau's letter  
this morning & also wrote  
to Catherine Wynn about  
Martha visiting here.  
Then Heinie & I went out  
to clear the grass from  
around the bushes.

In the afternoon Grace  
came to get the mint  
I promised her. Then I  
went with Siegie to  
play golf — we played  
together. We took Ellen  
& Henry with us & they  
went swimming at the  
Park. Put the sprinklers  
on my flowers when I got  
home. Angie golfed with  
Charlie, Ellen at picnic.  
Finally Heinie & I got  
Cat's to the bridge.

Wednesday, June 28, 1939

179th day — 186 days follow

Cloudy day so Heinie  
was content to sit  
in the laundry, sewing  
while I ironed. But I  
didn't get all my  
ironing done. After lunch  
I took Ellen to Parish  
House to go on picnic &  
then stop to get flowers  
from Grace. Finally  
got away & Heinie &  
Martha & I went to  
State College & Shoe-  
maker's warehouse where  
Heinie sorted out her  
furniture. Sent a wood  
bed down here but they  
forgot the springs. Ew.  
off, very late supper.  
Planted Grace's plants.  
Read end of murder story.



Thursday, June 29, 1939

180th day - 185 days follow

A muggy night so I slept late but finally Heinnie & I got busy, she ironing & I scrubbing the porch with Ellen's assistance. Fixed flowers etc & generally got the house in order for the Reading club to meet, which it did before I was ready after lunch. We sat on the porch in spite of the rain. Heinnie helped me darn. She read, too. They stayed quite late, talking about the Porcnos. Heinnie & I ate more sandwiches after children were in bed. Read Post-bed.

Friday, June 30, 1939

181st day - 184 days follow

Did a lot of telephoning before I settled down to work - & then I wanted to clean the cold room but Heinnie persuaded me to weed as the ground was so nice & soft.

After lunch I got my team together to go to the hospital to mend. Mrs. Sayre, Mrs. Marc Curtin, Martha, Heinnie, Gertrude Purnell & Ellen went & we got a great pile of work done. Heinnie & I weeded a bit more when we got home at 5. After supper we went to see "Stagecoach" an excellent movie - also a dancing school which

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Saturday, July 1, 1939

182nd day — 183 days follow

Washed my hair when I got up & then got mad. everything seemed to be wrong. Helms helped me with the washing. In the afternoon I took a nap on Ellen's bed while the rest of the family cut grass. Woke to find Helms & Pete putting Helms' bed together as the springs had come. Put away the wash etc. After supper we got all dressed up to go to the Cordis Snyder's - one of Snowshoe - to meet the young Snyders & have some strong drinks & then to the country club dance. Jo is ~~seeing~~ so Pete took Helms.

Sunday, July 2, 1939

183rd day — 182 days follow

Slept till 9:30 - not much  
more than 4 hours! - & then  
Heinie, Angie & I ate breakfast  
in our nighties. I felt so lumpy  
I went back to bed for a  
while, but finally, with  
Heinie's help, got the beds  
made before lunch. Thank  
goodness, no Sunday School.  
Then we hurried to make  
sandwiches to take to an-  
other family gathering in  
Deer Creek. They all went  
swimming & I was provoked  
not to be able to - had to  
sit & talk to Aunt Sarah  
instead. After supper Luke  
clung to me & wanted to  
go home. I wanted to, too -  
very tired of  
him. Home at 10 & all to bed.

Monday, July 3, 1939

184th day - 181 days follow

Heinie & I did a large washing & I was glad for her help as I feel like the chickens. After lunch I took a nap & then Heinie & I got busy making currant jelly & it took ages as the stone wouldn't work right, the child then being around us like a thick fog. Ellen made lemonade & Heinie & I flavored ours & we sat on the porch till Hugie came home. After supper he had to go up in the ridges to see some one on business & we all went along - the chickens & ducks crowded around us

No fire crackers allowed in Pa. - Tuesday, July 4, 1939

185th day - 180 days follow

Ev. had the day off & I had to go to church at 9:30 as I'm on Alta. Guild this month, so Heinie & Ellen washed the breakfast dishes etc. I stopped in to see Siegie on my way home. Found Betty Ray here with Heinie. Hugie had gone to golf. We got ourselves some lunch & then Ellen & I made sandwiches & waited impatiently for Hugie to come. A storm also came when he did, so we had to wait till it was over before taking our supper up Snowshoe. Shot target afterward. Home in time for fireworks - rain! - Much & + grace & shallness

Wednesday, July 5, 1939

186th day - 179 days follow

Hot muggy night & no  
pep in me this morning.  
Finally got our stove  
fixed - on bum since Sat.  
Betty Ray drop in to show  
Ted my portraits (Sam Sh.  
wanted to buy old school  
postals of mine last night!)  
I finally started cleaning  
the cold room by washing  
the flower pots. But after  
lunch Heinie helped me  
& we got at it in earnest.  
Then I had the morning to  
do - Siegie & Heinie watched  
me & we all had highball  
children at movies. Heinie  
Hugie & I went to Buckle.  
To dinner & then we came  
up here to see belated fire  
work - all the Rochans here!

Thursday, July 6, 1939

187th day - 178 days follow

~~Heinie~~ & I donned our  
bathing suits & worked  
in the garden planting  
more beans. But Heinie  
had to go to State  
College on bus to see  
a librarian friend. She  
stayed there to lunch  
but came later to  
the Reading club at  
Grace's - in the dark,  
gloomy closed-up house.  
Dingie walked down  
town with me afterward  
to buy picnic supplies.  
Hugie golfing. After supper  
Heinie, Siegie & I went to  
see Merle Oberon & Lawrence  
Olivier in "Wuthering Heights"  
Excellent movie. Children  
along - me at home - H.



Friday, July 7, 1939

188th day — 177 days follow

At breakfast I was deluged with presents — the Post, some tomato sticks & candy from Hugie, fancy paper cups, etc. from Mike & Heinie & beautiful flower props with birds on top made by Ellen & Henry. Heinie & I worked in the veg. garden all morning & sweated. After lunch we packed up & picked up Deb & the seven of us went to Korthaus to swim. It was perfect, hot weather & clear water. We rowed, & Mike suddenly lost his fear of water & had a grand time "swimming" between Heinie & Deb. Then we cooked hamburger & had birthday cake. Home at 9:30. ~~we~~ are tired but happy.

Saturday, July 8, 1939

189th day — 176 days follow

Heinie did my washing like a Lamb while I made currant jelly. After lunch we were going to Beech Creek but it began to rain so we took naps instead. Then it cleared up but we had lost our pep. We sat on the porch for a while & the children hung around & finally I went out front to pick some flowers & arrange them. After supper we went to the Craig cabin near the club where we sat out on the terrace & warded off mosquitoes. Jones there too.

Sunday, July 9, 1939

190th day - 175 days follow

Ellen went to church with me at 8 and later after beds were made etc I stitched for Heinie on machine & did some mending of my own. After dinner Hugie went golfing & Heinie & the children & I went to Beech Creek. I had a fine time swimming with children while Heinie talked to Aunt Gert. Home at 6:30 when children ate but Heinie & I waited for Hugie. Miss Lamb came & brought a cake! When Hugie came there also came the Traps - a new young couple. To call! So we had supper at 11 after many dishes in kitchen with

Monday, July 10, 1939

191st day - 174 days follow

Heinie not feeling so well so I had to do the washing without her help. In the afternoon she napped & I was about to write to Bean when Jo came. I listened to her long tale of her visit in Painesville with her sick sister & heard it again when Heinie came down. We had tea later & Debach dropped in. After supper Hugie planted corn & the rest of us had a game of croquet, including Art & one who came to see Heinie. She stayed till bedtime.

Tuesday, July 11, 1939

192nd day - 173 days follow

I got up early & sprinkled  
morning before breakfast.  
Sat with Heinie while  
she ate hers & then she  
sat with me while I  
ironed & talked child day.  
Siegie & Betty Ray & Martin  
came in to say goodbye  
to Heinie, for after lunch  
we sadly took her to  
Lewis town to get the N.Y.  
train. All children went.  
Hugie put a penny on the  
track. When we got to  
Belleville I treated them  
all to sodas & then Ellen  
stayed with me while  
I paid my bills - such  
tiny ones. Stopped to see Grace  
& her mother on way home.  
Hugie & I had a very happy

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Wednesday, July 12, 1939

193rd day - 172 days follow

Missed Heinie at breakfast.  
Then Betty Ray came to  
have her picture painted  
& we got a good start  
before lunch. By three it  
was done in spite of ten  
children running around.  
But then came Mrs. Thompson,  
son, husband & daughter  
in law to see her & I darkened  
back ground for them & they  
didn't like it & I had to  
rub it off again! Jo & Cut  
came, too, & after Thompson  
left they suggested things  
to change in Betty's. I  
was glad when they all  
left. W. off & Hugie golfing.  
D is covered Jack missing.  
Got a big cock tail & wrote to  
Heinie. Hugie is home July 11

Thursday, July 13, 1939

194th day — 171 days follow

In order not to delay any longer I went to my desk at ten & wrote to Ben to thank him for \$5, birthday present & to Kitten Soper to thank her for a green & white feather fan she sent me. I also figured out my accounts & wrote in my diary & felt very well pleased with myself. In the afternoon I drove our car to State College, taking Martha, Grace, Mary & Deborah to the Reading club. We sat on the porch. I read quite a long time. After supper Hugie & I sat on porch & watched the clouds. Later I posted clippings & sup. photos in their reading album.

Friday, July 14, 1939

195th day — 170 days follow

An awful thunder storm during the night that rumbled around in the mountains for hours but it made the ground just fine for working, so I spent the morning digging up around the lilac bushes in an endeavor to make them grow a little. After lunch I continued the same (aid 36 out of 111) until time to get ready to go with Hugie & the Siegs to play golf. Hugie & I beat them badly — he beat 38 & I beat 75. They had 57 & 72. We had our supper down there in the grill room & talked & watched a man. The nickeladium. Little story.



Pretty good dance - home at  
Saturday, July 15, 1939 2:30

196th day - 169 days follow

Did my washing but  
it was such a big one  
& I lacked Heinie's help  
so did not get it  
hung up until after  
lunch. Later I tried  
to take a nap but the  
children made so much  
noise I finally gave  
up & went out to tie  
up my tomato plants.  
Before long Betty Ray &  
Sigie came & we picked  
beans, & I gave them  
some. Sigie dropped me  
at church, but Minnie had  
been there so I walked  
home again. W. off, Hugo  
at club, but later he came  
to take me to the Sheffers  
& then to the dance at club.

Bill ran into a car on  
Sunday, July 16, 1939 waylone

197th day - 168 days follow

Eleanor Martin stayed  
here all night but did  
not appear before anyone  
was up. I got up in time  
to take the children to  
church & to put the 8 o'clock  
things away. I  
went again at 11 with  
Hugo. After dinner I  
got Ellen to help me  
make the beds clean.  
Then I took a nice long  
nap. When I woke Betty  
& Ted Griffin had come  
to see her picture & I  
worked on it a bit  
changing neck & chin.  
Picked flowers till 4.  
Finally came to supper  
& read when he went  
with Bill to the station.

Monday, July 17, 1939

198th day - 167 days follow

Beautiful clear cool morning. Did my washing - cleaned the laundry between times. In the afternoon I donned bathing suit to work in garden, altho the ground is uninvitingly hard. But I cut off bleed things & picked beans which Henry took to Martha & cut Ellen's spinach for our own supper! Later the children & I saw the movie with which Catherine took of the Porcosos. Pretty good. Got children to bed finally. Wrote to Raynolds & Telly. Read Postscript.

Tuesday, July 18, 1939

199th day - 166 days follow

Ironed a dress before going out to weed the flower beds. In the afternoon I went to the club - Deborah & I were in charge & had a button tournament - buttons to pay for getting in rough, etc. I drew Ann Dale & actually beat her by one button - the number of strokes didn't count fortunately as I had a bad time & got 82. Henry caddied for me. When we got home I started to iron. Hugged Whitewake picnic, so I ate sandwich at 7 & finished ironing at 8:30. Children in bed, so I read 8.

us home - had been golfing  
Wednesday, July 19, 1939 <sup>with</sup> Charlie

200th day - 165 days follow

Last night I put the sprinklers on, so today it was most too wet to hoe my vegetables, but big weeds came out nicely. I picked beans for us & had enough to give some to Mrs. Witter. After lunch I worked in rock garden a bit & then went up to State College where I visited for an hour with Gen before going to Janet's to dinner - very nice & then she & I went to a lecture by Artist-Tom send & watched him paint a picture, but did not think much of it. We met Bob Valentine there who went to Janet's with us for

Thursday, July 20, 1939

201st day - 164 days follow

I went out to weed the flower beds again this morning. While we were at lunch Bob Valentine brought a book on painting for me, & looked over my portraits. Later I went to the Reading club at Jo's. Anna Geier continues to be interesting. Katherine Wolfe was there with Martha. Siegie came home with me afterward for some letters. Hugie is at club & Ellen at a picnic, so the boys had cold supper while I was watering trees etc. Later Dale & then read Post. Ellen came after 10 - I went to bed & then came H.

Friday, July 21, 1939

202nd day — 163 days follow

went out to work in the flower beds again. It was chilly at first in my bathing suit but the sun soon had me boiling — my back is pure African by now. After lunch Hugo got me some peat moss which I dug into the "poison ivy" bed and then moved the myrtle to one end — the other end can be grass now. I worked till suppertime. I was out in the sun 7 hours today. After supper, after the children were in bed I read Bob's book "Painting a Portrait" —

Saturday, July 22, 1939

203rd day — 162 days follow

Washing to do this morning. Had a time getting Ellen to clean the playroom — she didn't want to & she not too good a cleaner when she does want to. In the afternoon I took it easy & read "Life" & napped a bit until Siegie, Betty Ray & Jo & their children came. We picked beans. Siegie took me down to church so I could fix it for tomorrow. After supper I arranged flowers, got kids to bed, took a bath & then studied the stars with Hugo till finally the



Sunday, July 23, 1939

204th day — 161 days follow

I went to church at 8  
all by myself. After  
breakfast w. & I made  
the beds & then I walked  
to church again — I saw the  
only one of our altar guild  
in town today. After dinner  
I took a little rest until  
the children woke me that  
it was time to go to Beech  
Creek. Sat & talked to Aunt  
Sarah & Gertie for a while  
then went swimming with  
the children — but the water  
was muddy & cold in  
spots. Aunt Gert gave us  
some cake. Hugie didn't  
come home to supper  
(golf match) but was full  
of talk when he came at 10  
& stayed until 11

Monday, July 24, 1939

205th day — 160 days follow

Did my washing  
lazily. After lunch  
Hugie took us all, in-  
cluding Evagene, to  
Hillsburg to see the  
wreck of a coal train.  
27 cars piled up on  
each other — we stayed  
there for 2 hours, view-  
ing the wreck from all  
sides & watching the  
three big cranes lifting  
the broken cars off the  
tracks. Very interesting.  
When we got home I  
worked on some lilac  
bushes that I had soft-  
ened with the sprinkler.  
Hugie at Rotary club but  
came home soon, fortunately  
no malaria & otherwise

Tuesday, July 25, 1939

206th day - 159 days follow

Had to go to church at 9:30 as this is the feast of St. James. Ellen met me there & we went down town to buy her a sweater for a birth day present & supplies for a picnic. After lunch we packed up & took Deborah & Jane Walker with us & went to Karthaus. It was much better than the last time - hot, & clean still water. There were four Catholic priests & their friends in swimming who were a scream. We cooked hamburger & had a fine supper in the woods. Lordis ~~showed us~~ to show us. 9:30

Wednesday, July 26, 1939

207th day - 158 days follow

Did various odd jobs around the house that have been needing attention & finally started my mowing which I finished after lunch. I went across the street to see Jahn Smith who is building the Martin's house. Then I got dressed to go to the club with Huguie & the Siegs to play golf. Had a 67 today - hard dry ground! The Craigs had supper with us - it's Bill's birth day - we watched the people milling around there for a while & then went to the Park to see Gene & a drum.

years ago!

Thursday, July 27, 1939

208th day — 157 days follow

I spent most of the morning mending up in my bedroom. But before lunch I managed to clean up the great accumulation of magazines in the library. In the afternoon I went to Becky Mull's to the Reading club. We sat on her porch but it was very hot. If only it would rain. I moved sprinklers all evening. Hugie was playing golf but came home early. I worked on lining a basket that she gave me, but I hate to give my little sewing basket. <sup>251</sup>

Friday, July 28, 1939

209th day — 156 days follow

Another horrible hot sticky day — cloudy but no rain. It hasn't rained for two weeks. Mrs. Kahlman tried to sell me Thomas cards while I breakfasted. Finally I got to my washing. Siegie came in. After lunch I finished the washing & then gathered the children & Hugie & the Siegs & took them to Pleasant Gap to swim. It was muggy but cooling. When we got home the children had come & Siegie & I had gin & tonic after I went to get Hugie. After supper I read "Life" & finished my little sewing basket. <sup>252</sup>

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Saturday, July 29, 1939

210th day — 155 days follow

Spent the morning in bed reading the Reader Digest. Deborah came in with some pants for the boys, I ordered. After lunch I took a little nap & then went over to Martha's to spend a very pleasant, peaceful afternoon with her. She insisted that I do her a favor by taking some of her candy & some of her baked ham. I sketched a bed post for her. Hugie stop for me on the way home. After supper the children cleaned the car. Later Hugie read to me while I knitted.

Sunday, July 30, 1939

211th day — 154 days follow

Ellen & Mike went to church with me at 8. I took them to Sunday School later. made the beds & then went to church with Hugie at 11. After dinner (of Martha's ham) I took a little nap on my bed & then, without dressing, looked thru my sewing drawers & found a little egg & beginning to do. Just about supper time Siegie & Ann arrived & helped me pick off dead flowers. While Hugie & I were eating the Wymms arrived, leaving Martha on a visit.



Monday, July 31, 1939

212th day — 153 days follow

At nine Siegi came for me to go to Aldboro with her + Aunt Mame who had to see the oculist. We went to a little shoe shop and I bought two pairs of shoes! white + blue. We had some lunch in Gabble's store + then shopped there. I had a beautiful time getting shirts for the boys + handkerchiefs for Hugie's birthday. I had to borrow more money from Siegi. When we got home the children were anxious to see in the packages. Hugie had vesting meeting. Shoppers came over later.

Tuesday, August 1, 1939

213th day — 152 days follow

Had my washing to do today + while the machine was working I looked over my garden + discovered beetles on my beans! so I picked some off + delayed my washing so that I was still hanging it out when Siegi came to take me to the club to the ladies golf luncheon. In the afternoon I played Martha Curtis + pretty nearly beat her! I had a N. Hugie was out + late supper with the children. When they were finally in bed I settled down to read "Three Harbors" <sup>F. Van Wick</sup> ~~more~~.

Wednesday, August 2, 1939

214th day — 151 days follow

I got up fairly early & went out before breakfast to pick bean beetles. Eggs, larvae & beetles. I worked out doors all morning. In the afternoon I drew "Is" on Hegie's handkerchiefs & finally began to iron. All the children were out — place. Later Siegie came over with a bottle of gin & we had cooling drinks & talked about our behavior with old beans in our youth, while I ironed. After supper Hegie & the children discovered a baby skunk in the field & chased it till Ellen grabbed it by the tail. Put it in ~~the~~ house.

Thursday, August 3, 1939

215th day — 150 days follow

Deborah & Siegie & I went to the club at 9:30 to golf. I beat them with a 68. We all enjoyed it. Then we had a gim ridley. Finally we went to Mary Craig's cabin & took shower baths much to Mary's surprise & peevement! Then the rest came & we ate our own sandwiches & Mary's salad under the trees. I embroidered "Is" while they bridged — under the trees until it got too windy. After supper I took linen to the church. Neighbor hood in to see skunk. in ~~the~~ read

Friday, August 4, 1939

216th day - 149 days follow

A cloudy looking day but I guess we picnic anyway. I got up at 6:30 to peel peaches to can. Had every one working by 10:30 the peaches were well under control with Eugene & we were ready to go to Kautsaus. I drove our four kids in our car - Hugie couldn't go. Siegie, Aunt Mame & I kids & Pete & Jo & 4 kids were the party. We had a grand time swimming. They cooked lunch but we had sandwiches - easier. Home at 5:30. Hugie at White rock picnic. I tried to read until he came but fell asleep in bed. He came at 2:30.

Saturday, August 5, 1939

217th day - 148 days follow

Still tired when I got up + 00 was Hugie - he went to the Park after picnic with John Love. I did run was tired & kept worrying about going to dance. After lunch I went down to see Mary Blanchard about drawing pictures of maids uniform for her. Mike was with me & we went on to pay bills. Maestra & Rachel Plane came over to tea which we had on back porch. Rachel is here for weekend. At supper time people were calling us up about going to dance. But we didn't go - read & went to bed early. C - call from dance.

Sunday, August 6, 1939

218th day — 147 days follow

I am corrupting my husband. I persuaded him to take me down to play golf instead of going to church. We had a fine time & a close match with the 1-2 3-4 handicaps he worked out for me. I had a 72. Henry caddied for me but the others went to Sunday School. After dinner Hugie went to golfing again but I sat on porch to finish monogramming his handkerchiefs. Was glad when Singie appeared to keep me company. Ellen & Martha baked a birth day cake. Charlie Scott & Emily came in for a while to settle score

Happy Birth day Hugie!  
I took each of 12 handkerchiefs up separately.  
Monday, August 7, 1939

219th day — 146 days follow

Wageau's mother is sick so she couldn't come to work. I got the girls to help me with dishes etc & I did the washing, fixing beans etc in between. I even had the boys squeezing oranges for our picnic. And by 1:45 we were actually ready to start to Kautsaus. He took Dick Scull & Tammy Smith (Johnson) with us & they had a grand time diving & dunking the girls, who had a grand time, too. He dressed & cooked our supper & then they wanted to go in again! So we did, I, too. It was perfect. Home at 4:30.



Tuesday, August 8, 1939

220th day — 145 days follow

Tried this morning swimming must be more strenuous than I think. I spent most of the morning reading my book which is too exciting to put down. But I did get a few chores done. After lunch Mary Rankin took me to the club where I golfed with Siigie. I couldn't hit them at all, had a 73. It was hot & a gin rummy tested fine afterward. Got home to find the boys we took on picnic & then some were playing with Ellen & Martha. After supper I drew pictures of maids for Miss B. Bill came in later to tell over his trouble.

Wednesday, August 9, 1939

but he is sick.

221st day — 144 days follow

I took my sketches to Miss Blanchard when I took Hugie to work. Then I had the car to take the children to the club for their golf lesson. "Doggie" Alexander was an hour late getting there & I didn't think he was much interested in teaching. After lunch the Wynns came for Martha & it was a very sad time for Ellen. Mike went home with Evagran & Henry & Ellen sat with me while I ironed — they didn't know what to do without Martha. I potted a couple of plants, in baked ~~egg~~ later the Sigs & ~~Shaffer~~ were here.

Thursday, August 10, 1939

222nd day — 143 days follow

Donned my bathing suit when I got up & after breakfast I went out in the garden to tie up tomatoes which I didn't tie tight enough the first time — live & learn. I discovered squash beetles — stink bugs. Reminded thing how each kind of plant has its own bugs. Went to Suegie's to the Reading Club — we are still working on "Luce Geyer". In formal supper — W. off & Hugie cutting grass. I picked dead flowers & sprayed bugs. Dr. & Freda Adams came to pay for portrait & we had a nice visit.

Friday, August 11, 1939

223rd day — 142 days follow

Went out to work in the garden again, cutting off dead flowers, etc. I picked so many beans for lunch that I decided to can them after lunch. I sat on the porch cutting them until 3:30 & then put them in the jars — 9 qts. Deborah dropped in & I made tea, but had to chase her off when Hugie came to take me to golf — 1-2-3-4 handicaps & he won one 10<sup>th</sup> hole — I had 71. We had drinks down there but came home to a late supper. Afterward I was at last able to read my "Three Harbors".

Saturday, August 12, 1939

224th day — 141 days follow

In the middle of my washing I came upstairs & found a letter from Dean — it wasn't until the second paragraph that he said "Dean to be married to Mary Durrell on Aug. 12" It pretty nearly floored me! After lunch we tried to send a telegram to his ship sailing to Peru-unda, but found there were six sailing that day. I read most of the afternoon & then weeded a bit — it is frightfully hot. After the children were in bed we left them all alone & went to the shell crosses to get Katherine & her bag.

Sunday, August 13, 1939

225th day — 140 days follow

Hotter still & hotter — I put on my t-suit & went out to pick beans & flowers. When Mr. came the stove wouldn't work. drat you! We got a man to fix it but I had no tea or egg for breakfast. I went to church at 11 with Eugie. Mr. Sherwood substituting for Sage. Then Martha & John came to dinner & seemed to enjoy it. We drank to Dean's health. The men went to golf but M. & I sat on the porch sewing — a hard rain came, but lost. Later I wrote a sympathy note to Mrs. Sebring & then a long one to Dean.

Monday, August 14, 1939

226th day — 139 days follow

Did my washing & made plans to work the silacos as they are at last wet. But just before lunch Eliza Blackburn came to see us & didn't take much coaxing to stay to lunch. Hugie said Joe & Fanny, the accordion & horn players were in town, so we planned a party & I called up 15 people. Then I got porches & chairs ready with boys help. Then man came to fix stove, then Olive arrived with Jack who is to visit. Finally it was 8:30 & the music & guests arrived. We danced & cavorted on the grass in back - had a bar on porch & a good time.

Tuesday, August 15, 1939

227th day — 138 days follow

A bit weary after my late hours & Jack & Hugie woke me at 6. But by ten I was painting Eliza Blackburn's portrait. She stayed to lunch again & by 3 it was done & Jo Shaffer came over & produced it the best yet. They left & I took an hour's nap & then had to rush to be ready to go with Hugie to Aunt Dorothy's birthday party. We took Joe & Fanny with us. The party was much as usual. I enjoyed talking to Mrs. Shret from Northport. I had two plates of lobster & mince at 2:30.



not nearly so much fun.

Wednesday, August 16, 1939

228th day - 137 days follow

This morning the boys didn't wake me but a pain in my tummy did. Felt burn - but managed to pick beans for lunch & do some ironing.

After lunch I took a nice long nap & then finished the ironing. It is frightfully hot, even the children have no pep or appetite.

They got their own supper while I ironed, then Date, bathed & washed off for Jay & Joe. They played for the children (& Evagene) at Siegs & then Siegie & I took them to the Craig cabin to a party like ours only much bigger &

Thursday, August 17, 1939

229th day - 136 days follow

Did a few odd jobs & then wrote to Beanie friend "Pat" about his key & to Heinie about our 2nd visit next week. Made myself some sandwiches & was ready to go out to Winifred's farm to picnic with the Reading Club. We read a bit, then some played bridge but Glen, Win & I lay on grass & finally played croquet. Read "Life" when I got home. Hagie golfing & at club to supper. Henry & Jack & Peter slept in play house. Doat on upper porch in nightie till I got cold, then read in

Friday, August 18, 1939

230th day — 135 days follow

The boys in the playground were racing around the yard at six — I had to go down to stop them.

Later I donned bathing suit to work in garden but the ground is so dry I couldn't get in the diastie. After lunch I talked to Mrs. Witten for a while then tried to clean black tea service I found in Lancaster in vain.

It began to rain so I read until time to dress to go with Hegie to the shallcrosses come roast at Twin Mount. Thirty there, mostly young crowd. Horse races, poker, etc.

Saturday, August 19, 1939

231st day — 134 days follow

Two big washings to do & twice rain coming down. But I was glad to hang it in the laundry if the flowers could drink. In the afternoon I had planned to take the children to Karthaus but they didn't even agree — it was so raining. I lazily read magazines for a while — I've been very lazy all week, nothing accomplished, too many parties. I ironed Hegie's shirts & my things to take to Fair. After supper Hegie & I went over to Phil Rapp's cook tail party, but we did not go to dance.

Sunday, August 20, 1939

232nd day — 133 days follow

Hugie went to his office to work, I worked here + I told boys they could skip Sunday School but Ellen really wanted to go + set out on foot. In the afternoon I tackled a big pile of mending + mending especially some bed pads for Beau, making 3 out of 2. Olive came for Jack + he was sorry to see him go. He was a nice little guest. Jo came over for a while — after her supper, but before mine! I waited for Hugie. He read news papers + went to bed at ten!

Monday, August 21, 1939

233rd day — 132 days follow

Did an enormous washing, including Beau's bed pads, + picked veg. for lunch. In the afternoon Ellen helped me pick a lot of different vegetables to give to Sigie for her birthday. Then I dug up the onions + planted lettuce seed. Nearly wasted — but cooled off in the huge darning stockings. Jo came over with a dress she insists I take M.G. Later Hugie + I went over to Martha's to a delicious corn pudding dinner — home early to pack. Sigie dropped in. I wrote to Aunt Maud.

more beds + undressed by  
candle light - ~~Hugie~~ <sup>Hugie</sup> ~~buffy~~.

Tuesday, August 22, 1939

234th day - 131 days follow

Ellen helped to make our lunch.  
Henry made a footstool for me  
in car + at nine Hugie + I  
set forth for New York. It  
was nice + cool but we  
didn't make very good time  
on account of delays etc.  
We ate our lunch in a  
woods beyond Hamburg  
+ then I drove for two hours  
while Hugie rested up for  
the N.Y. traffic. We crossed  
the G. Washington bridge, got  
lost in Central Park but at  
last 5:30 reached Bean's  
apt. One of the lights was  
green + Hugie blew fuse!  
Henric came. We tried to get  
fuse from Spanish lady helper.  
Finally went out to supper +  
took Henric to her nice room.

Wednesday, August 23, 1939

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235th day - 130 days follow

The man came to fix the  
lights before we were up. So  
now Hugie feels better. We  
got breakfast at a cheap  
little place around the  
corner + then set forth in  
the Ford for the Fair. We had  
to drive around a bridge a bit  
before we got on it. We saw  
the telephone exhibit + light  
bldg. before we got hung up  
+ ate in a beer garden. That  
Rathenine walk along a path!  
Sat for 1 hour to see Aquar-  
cade before it began - well  
worth it. Wandered thru  
amusement section, saw  
penguins, Duck's Animals.  
Had good cheap dinner. Took  
pedal boat ride. Sidney (at  
Hambly) + the lady in. Home 12.



Thursday, August 24, 1939

236th day - 129 days follow

It was 10:30 before we set  
forth after break fasting at a  
little drugstore. We took a  
bus ride for two hours &  
met Heinie at the library.  
She took us & Miss Peters  
out to lunch - very nice.  
Then we three took a bus to  
the Fair. We visited industrial  
buildings & saw "Railroadmen  
Parade" for Heinie's benefit - like  
Chicago. Then we met Fred  
Reynolds & had supper. We  
went to foreign buildings &  
were watching fountains but  
it poured & we got soaked!  
Fred left. We got drinks & went  
to fireworks, but there were none.  
Went to "Sun Valley" - a gyp but  
good ice skating. Subway home  
waited hours. Bed at 3.

Friday, August 25, 1939

237th day - 128 days follow

A cloudy day but we decided  
to go to Fair anyway - talked  
to Fred & Mary. On our way  
home from breakfast we stopped  
to buy me a beautiful (?) hat  
for 50¢ as I had to throw mine  
away at the Fair last night.  
We drove out in the Ford &  
before we reached the parking  
area it poured - ~~down~~  
We got into the Fair when  
the rain let up a bit & so  
proceeded all afternoon.  
But we saw the Geil tractor  
futurama, man-made light-  
ning, gardens on parade &  
I went thru art gallery while  
Hugie did Ford buildings etc.  
We went to the parade again  
beautiful at night, too, finally  
saw the fireworks. Best day.

First time I've been in ocean  
Saturday, August 26, 1939 <sup>in about 18</sup>  
years!

238th day — 127 days follow

We were awakened by "Pat" on  
phone - he wanted us to go out  
to his place, but we didn't know  
what to expect of the day. We  
went to breakfast & when we  
got back, Bean & his bride &  
his mother-in-law were there.  
They were having drinks, some  
joined them. Mary is even nicer  
than I remembered her. Later  
Fred & Hinnie came, more drinks.  
Much indecision about plans.  
At about two Mrs. Shanks left  
& the six of us, all gay & merry  
drove in our car to Bayshore  
where we high balls & lobster.  
Bean & Mary went back to N. Y.  
but we four took ferry to Fire  
Island & Mary, Bill & Eve (fat)  
we had glorious swim in  
ocean. Sipping, &

Sunday, August 27, 1939

239th day — 126 days follow

Our motion as this overflowing  
house got dressed & had break-  
fast. It's very primitive, no water  
& a back house. We went over  
to call on the Rickers who have  
a nice new house. Then we  
went in the ocean again.  
We had a light lunch &  
then Bean, his bride & in-laws  
arrived, dressed in shorts, etc.  
They didn't stay long, were  
in a boat. I had a fine time  
sifting pebbles out of the sand  
to take home for my window  
boxes. Fred left. The rest of us  
went swimming again - a bit  
rough, then scupper, then Mary  
& I walked to dock to see Hinnie  
off. Bill & Huggie went fishing  
when it was dark we toasted  
marshmallows on beach. <sup>Real</sup> early.

Monday, August 28, 1939

240th day — 125 days follow

Cold & cloudy. After helping Mary with the dishes & beds I went out to sift more pebbles. Evie is the laziest, fattest child I've ever seen. She went to the beach with me to look for shells, but she played with her dog. After lunch we rested a bit. I gathered more pebbles. We all went to the beach to watch Bill fish in the surf but it was too rough for him. It didn't even tempt me to go in. After supper we went over to the Riders to play "Bonanza" (like Whodunnit) like him especially. We walked home along the old ocean. It is blowing hard. ~~Here it would be a hurricane~~

at Swimmer's apt. with Heine.  
Toto ~~thought~~ <sup>was</sup> swimming out!

Tuesday, August 29, 1939

241st day — 124 days follow

Rain & a lot of wind so we decided we might as well leave. Bill had a time getting my pebbles to the ferry in his rowboat. We drove safely to N. Y. by 4:30 & went to Beane's apt. & took much-needed baths. Then Mary came & later Beane. Much discussion what to do - but finally Heine came & we all went over to Putnam's apt. for cocktails. "Gi" Cameron was there - after drinking plenty we went to a restaurant to dinner. Toto more to drink & lots of fun. Then we went to a beer parlor & the two were left us there. Enjoyed talking to Mary - she's O.K. Beane got very tight, so did Heine. Left

Wednesday, August 30, 1939

242nd day — 123 days follow

Another rainy day - after we had gone around the corner for breakfast we called Beau to see if he is going to Bf's with us - after a while he said he would, tomorrow. So Hug & I set forth for the Fair again stopping at Beau's for umbrellas. We had lunch at the Fair & then did the foreign buildings until my train spun. So we went to see Bill Robinson's "Hot His Cado" which wasn't so hot, but relaxing. We went thru the Carrier & Du Pont buildings & went to a bar to meet Heini. She treated us to dinner & then we watched the beautiful lights on the fountains & did some more foreign buildings. Hard time finding

Thursday, August 31, 1939

243rd day — 122 days follow

Said good bye to Heini & after breakfast set out for Beau's apartment where we picked up him & Mary. But he wanted something at his apt. so we all went up there & had a martini. While crossing the Palacki Skyway we had a flat tire! While the men fixed it Mary & I went in a cafe & had another martini! We went on & finally had a very nice lunch at Clinton M. J. Beau drove for a while. We called Suzanne from ~~any~~ Hall saying we'd be 2 hours late. She didn't understand & was not prepared for company & got upset & sent her home. But there was ~~enough~~ to eat & the children were ~~just~~ all



at State College club for Bill  
& wife. Home at 12. Mary  
& Bean kept us up until two!

24th day - 121 days follow

Nice to wake up in my own  
bed even if it was late - Bo  
& Mary were late and it  
was lunch time before we  
knew it. Afterward I showed  
Mary all my pet plants  
& gardens while Bean  
snoozed. She is a dear  
& I'm glad Bean married  
her. After a while we de-  
cided to call on Uncle  
Fred & Grace & Mary had  
the jitters again but in vain.  
We got home at supper-  
time & had cream puffs  
to drink their healths which  
they had brought from Ben-  
runda. They stayed home to  
listen for war news on radio  
while we went to an ice cream  
party Mrs. Kelly came

with children tonight while  
we were out to the dance  
at club. Hugie couldn't dance  
tonight.

24th day - 120 days follow

Hugie cut his finger hitting  
Julie's dish on a stone table  
right & it's all swelled  
up even his arm. I tried to  
hurry my was thing but  
everything went wrong.  
Bo & Mary slept late as  
usual & then the children  
entertained them. After lunch  
I hung up wash & it looked  
like rain. Soaked Hugie's  
hand & then he went with  
Mary & Bo & the children to  
show Mary the sights & I  
stayed to watch the wash &  
pick flowers for church.  
Siegie came over & I had a  
fine time telling her about  
our trip. We went to Kunkle's  
to dinner & Grace sat on me  
about telling their name

Sunday, September 3, 1939

246th day — 119 days follow

I managed to get up in time  
to drive children to Sunday  
School. England has de-  
clared war on Germany  
so they say, but it doesn't  
affect the serenity of this  
place. Hugie went to church  
but our guests slept late.  
After dinner all of us ex-  
cept Mike (who went to Sleep)  
drove to Penn's Cove & went  
there it for Mary's benefit.  
Beau drove, ambling  
along. Hugie got a bit  
bored, but he is annoyed  
at being so helpless with  
his right arm in a sling  
poor soul. We had a late  
Sunday night supper &  
before we were thru. <sup>Sam</sup> Mike  
& Grace came to call.

Monday, September 4, 1939

247th day — 118 days follow

We all got up fairly early.  
except Hugie who slept till  
lunch time. Bo & Mary went  
to the stable to see their fur-  
niture. I picked up spinach  
& tomatoes & arranged a  
nice basket of tomatoes &  
jellies for them to take to  
N.Y. We had a farewell  
cocktail together & after  
lunch drove to Lewis town  
& put Bo & Mary sadly on  
the train. I drove home & it  
rained hard all the way.  
We soaked Hugie's hands &  
then I drove him to the club  
to see how tournament went.  
Bobby Morris won! After supper  
Jane Wallen & Ellen took a mud  
bath & went to bed in cotton.  
Ote & Jo came in for a while.

Tuesday, September 5, 1939

248th day — 117 days follow

I missed my guests this morning. It was such fun having them here. I had a big washing to do & beds to pull but I managed to be ready when Diggie came for me to go to the golf luncheon at the club. Deborah & I were "left-overs" on our team & played together. I got a 78, very bad, but I have lost my interest in golf for this year. Picked beans & put away wash when I got home. Hugie is much more cheerful as the doctor said his hand has healed very well. <sup>Read</sup>

Wednesday, September 6, 1939

249th day — 116 days follow

I planned to work on the lilacs but it was so chilly I lingered indoors as long as possible & there was worry for the sun was warm & the earth just right for working. The children started to school today much excitement. After lunch I worked the lilacs until time to go over to Martha's to have tea with Katherine Wolfe & a couple of others. My wife & I learned a new hemstitch. After supper I had an enormous ironing to do, but Hugie very <sup>kindly</sup> read to me.

Thursday, September 7, 1939

250th day — 115 days follow

Rain today which suited me very well so I had the ironing & finish & two baskets of tomatoes & turnip juice. In the afternoon Siegie took me to the Reading club at Key Warner's & we at last finished off Lena Geier. I sat beside Katherine Wolfe who superintended my knitsitching. In the evening Hegie went to a short meeting at Uncle Fred's about a new minister. I read "Life of" last week & the papers & try to make heads & tails out of the war in Poland. Then I wrote to Mary & R.

Friday, September 8, 1939

251st day — 114 days follow

It was really chilly when we went to bed & hot when we woke up this morning! A hot wind blowing so I decided to wash linen sheets & blankets & I called Martha who brought some of her own & helped me hang them. After lunch I worked the lilacs again, all peaceful in the hot sun until Martha came back at tea time with gingerbread.

After supper I sewed until the children were all in bed & then I followed Hegie over to the I. S. for a while.



Saturday, September 9, 1939

252nd day — 113 days follow

By seven I was out in the yard digging around the lilacs again. I must finish them. After breakfast, however I had to do the washing. I also ironed the 4 linen sheets. After lunch I went out to the lilacs again until three when I bathed & took all three children down town with me. We had sodas, paid my bills, visited 5 & 10 & got new shoes for 2 of them. Then we went to Hugie's office for a ride home. After supper I read life & darned a bit. Hugie was home all evening but he went to bed. I note the cat.

Sunday, September 10, 1939

253rd day — 112 days follow

I went to church at 8 & Mike went with me. And after breakfast I had to go to Sunday school. But only one pupil came, Charlotte Gordon. I took on Jean McFarver's class, tho while she practiced on organ. Made beds & did odd jobs until dinnertime. Then Hugie & Pete took Jack for a walk & I took a bit of a nap. I figured out my accounts later & darned stockings. Had drink with Hugie & Pete when they came home. After supper I read until the children were finally in bed. Then Hugie read to me while I sewed. O

Monday, September 11, 1939

254th day — 111 days follow

Cold again. That little hot spell didn't last long. I did my washing & picked vegetables in between. Got a nice letter from my new sister. After lunch I put tomatoes on to cook for juice & went out to pick the last of the beans. Then I put the juice in cans. And at last got out to dig lilacs. Dig around my dear little Jap. maples, too. After supper I went to the Pictorial with Regie. I spoke with Mrs. Sayre while he was at meeting & then the Sayres went with us to see "Four Fathers" - Fair. Soda

Tuesday, September 12, 1939

255th day — 110 days follow

I wanted to work but in my garden but it was too cloudy & cold & after nearly freezing picking spinach I came in the house & did a little of housework to get warm. After lunch I got to work in earnest & polished silver until 3:30 when I began to iron. Ellen came & spoke with me & I told her a lot about babies. Then I had to hurry to pick up a bunch of girls & take them to the Broadwater to our golf dinner. We played bridge afterward & I won 3rd prize!

Wednesday, September 13, 1939

256th day — 109 days follow

I don't feel so well this morning but I made myself polish the rest of the silver. After lunch, when every one had left I succumbed to the davenport and it was two hours later when I became conscious again. Hugie came home to take Jack for a walk. I opened the box from Minnie with a tremendous flourish in it — too big. Then Ellen helped me wash fly specks off the windows. I cooked supper, got the children to bed, read the Post & then sewed while Hugie read war news.

Thursday, September 14, 1939

257th day — 108 days follow

I started to get up this morning & just could not make it. As I had been fast in bed & did not feel any better. I took my temp. & it was 100. I ache all over so I suppose I have the grippe. Before lunch temp. went up to 101. I tried to read "Royal Regiment" by Gilbert Frankham but have no pep at all. 102° in afternoon. Hugie came home to see me at 3 pm. Talbot across street is very drunk. The children were most solicitous. More bath for supper & I began to feel better. Temp. going down. Hugie is read time

Friday, September 15, 1939

258th day - 107 days follow

Feel much better. Read in bed until lunch time & then decided to get up. Temperature below normal - I sweated profusely all night. But I took it easy in the afternoon, sitting in the living room, reading in spite of the gorgeous warm day it is out of doors, but a little windy. "Royal Regiment" proves much more interesting today. And the peace of this house when the children are at school is perfect. I read a bit in the evening while Hugie read to me in German.

Saturday, September 16, 1939

259th day - 106 days follow

Got up for breakfast as usual & did my washing, but took it easy, reading my book in between times. Got a letter from Bea asking about curtains, so after lunch I went up to that over-like attic & looked thru Ma's big box & then wrote a long letter to Bea & Mary telling them what I'd found. Uncle Fred dropped in for a moment - I think he was tired from this awful heat today. After supper Hugie & I drove to Rock Haven to see Aunt Katie who is in hospital with another stroke.



Sunday, September 17, 1939

260th day - 105 days follow

I went to Sunday School  
just 3 of my girls there &  
one had to go to the Primary  
help teach. When I got  
home Hugie was just get-  
ting up - he is grumpy, too,  
worse luck. I decided  
not to go to church. Picked  
spinach & made beds.  
After lunch I took a  
nap - I don't feel so well  
myself. Hugie was read-  
ing in the library & I joined  
him there & made pillow  
cases for the boys out of  
old linen. Pete Shaffer  
came over - little Pete  
stayed to supper. When  
the children went to bed  
so did Hugie & I, & read  
our books.

Monday, September 18, 1939

261st day - 104 days follow

Feeling fine today & Hugie  
is no worse. I did my  
washing & also washed  
some of my window box  
pebbles. After lunch I  
finished the washing &  
washed the pebbles from  
Fire Island, & put them  
on a sheet in the sun.  
Then I potted my little  
gardenia which has buds  
on it. I picked carrots.  
By that time I was tired  
& sat in the sun on the  
main porch where I was  
soon joined by Hugie,  
it seemed perfect to me.  
After supper I had to  
take my tea service & go to  
Auxiliary meeting - a fine  
will to Mrs. [unclear]

Tuesday, September 19, 1939

262nd day — 103 days follow

I dusted the first floor venetian blinds & then took all the violets to the kitchen & cleaned the window sills, window boxes & the pebbles therein. By that time it was lunch time. Afterward I groomed the violets & put them all back. Then I went out & cut back the arborvitas to make them grow bushier. Then I potted a few more house plants & cleaned the laundry. By that time it was supper time & afterward I felt like sitting but I had the morning to do, small one ~~but~~ - ~~it~~ it.

Wednesday, September 20, 1939



263rd day — 102 days follow

Jo Sheffer's father dies. I had my breakfast in bed, read until I fell asleep. Got up in time for lunch and in the afternoon I arranged some plants in the dining room window & then Martha came with her knitting & we had a most pleasant afternoon. Angie dropped in for an egg nog. I was nearly six when Martha left & I had to wash around to cook supper, mostly spinach soup. Later I finished darning stockings & listened to Joe Lewis & Bob Pastor fight with Harrie.

Thursday, September 21, 1939

264th day — 101 days follow

I put things in order upstairs & down. Picked & arranged flowers.

Bathed Jack's eye which is red & swollen. And then as it began to clear & warm up I swept & dusted the back porch.

In the afternoon the Reading club met here with Nell Wallis & Mrs. Roseberry as guests. Cast & Grace sat outdoors but the rest of them were in the pioxies. We read "Peril at End House" by Agatha Christie.

May Hess stops for a moment to report Aunt Fannie better. After supper I sat beside Marie & sewed & read "Life" — all war news.

Friday, September 22, 1939

265th day — 100 days follow

I did a little mending first & then seemed to spend hours over my ordering — my family is getting so choosy. But finally I put all my ferns out in the sun & manicured them & cleared their box. When I took the children to school I did some shopping. Went over to see the Martins' house while they were there. Then worked on my lilacs etc until time to get ready for the weenie roast I had for my Sunday school class. Alf came & seemed to enjoy it, but it was over by 8. Bill Ding was here & I sat by & sewed.

Saturday, September 23, 1939

266th day — 99 days follow

200th day - 99 days follow  
Did my washing &  
cut Ellen's pig tails off!  
She looks quite pretty  
with a long bob. After  
lunch I cut each of  
the boys hair and  
washed Ellen's & put  
it up in curlers to please  
her. Finally got out  
to my garden to pull  
the dead plants out of  
my border. It is actually  
hot today. Hugie took  
Jack & Henry for a little  
walk - Jack yelps  
with pain occasionally  
but we don't know what  
ails him. After supper I  
sat in ~~lady~~ <sup>lady</sup> ~~flaming~~ <sup>flaming</sup>  
while Hugie ~~played~~ <sup>played</sup> the  
dutton-basket.

Sunday, September 24, 1939

267th day — 98 days follow

267th day - 98 days follow

We got up early & were  
nearly thru breakfast  
when Evagran arrived.  
Then Hugie, Ellen & I got  
in the car, picked up Deb  
& Dick Valentine & drove  
to Clear field. We stopped to  
see the Wynnes & left Ellen  
there while we went to the  
Episcopal church to hear  
the Rev. Mr. Bennett as a  
possible new minister  
for us, but we were not im-  
pressed. We got home at  
1:30 to dinner. In the after-  
noon Hugie & Harry went  
sleet shooting & Ellen & I  
played with dozens of kids  
outdoors while I took a long  
nap. Supper late as usual.  
I read news.



Monday, September 25, 1939

268th day — 97 days follow

Wagman is having her vacation this week. I got up early but Ellen already had the children's breakfast under way. I did the washing & got lunch ready. When I took the children to school, I mailed a wooden salad bowl to Heinie for her birthday. During the washing, washed the dishes & then lay down for 1/2 hour before going out to work in the rock garden. But I was very late with supper, on account of rubbing spinach thru a sieve! Hugie went to Am. Legion meeting & I went to bed with children.

Sat Hilde Wagman in movies!

Tuesday, September 26, 1939

269th day — 96 days follow

Ellen & I got breakfast. Then I tidied the house a bit & sprinkled the ironing. There were some "dogs" left from Friday's picnic but I burned them cooking them for lunch. As soon as I got the lunch dishes washed I began to iron and ironed steadily until Ellen came home to relieve me very kindly. We had supper on time Wagman's stew — in spite of Hugie coming in just before & having a drink with me. Ellen went to Scaats & Hugie & I left the boys all alone & saw Robt. Donat in "out" Mr.

Wednesday, September 27, 1939

270th day — 95 days follow

Ellen & I got break fast again and when every one had gone I got busy cleaning up the kitchen with the vacuum cleaner. Then I called Wagon & found out how to make a spoon head which turned out very well, much to Hugie's surprise. When I had the kitchen all neat & tidy again I went to the attic to look for curtains for Beau. Sigie & her brother dropped in and when they left it was time to get supper. They came back again later in the evening with Bill & we had a very pleasant

Thursday, September 28, 1939

271st day — 94 days follow

I overslept & everything seemed to go wrong. I burned the toast & upset things. It was a beautiful day so I washed the curtains for Beau. Had a time digging up carrots & a worse time scraping them to suit. Had all the children & Hugie helping me with dishes, etc and managed somehow to be all ready when Peg came to take me to Mary's cabin to the R.C. It was lovely there out on the lawn. Hugie was at club to dinner. I heard Henry's lesson. Wrote to Gen, inviting her to visit us. Then took book to bed.

The Sayres came to sleep  
Friday, September 29, 1939 <sup>here.</sup>

272nd day — 93 days follow

Breakfast went better today & that once I began to clean with the vacuum cleaner down stairs but had to start lunch before it was finished. By the time I had the dishes done I was so weary that I lay down for a while amidst my mops & dusters. Was getting to work again when Deborah came with some new clothes for the boys, but she didn't stay long & the house was clean by the time the children came home dragging in mud. Supper over, children in bed & Myie helped me pack.

Saturday, September 30, 1939

273rd day — 92 days follow

The Sayres were up & off before I got up — their furniture has gone & we are teasing them. I did my washing & Ellen practically got lunch after she the boys had cleaned up stairs. She helped me with the dishes & then baked a nice cake while I took a little nap. Then I shortened my dress to wear tonight. We went to a dance at the club & after we left the Sayres came to sleep, so we didn't have to get anyone to stay with the children! The dance was good, home at ten.

wrote to Mary BR in evening.

Sunday, October 1, 1939

274th day — 91 days follow

Ellen woke me & went to early church with me — the Sayres had already gone, & fortunately didn't come back to break fast. I ate & got two chickens ready for the oven & then dashed to Sunday School — only 20 min. there. Then Ellen & I worked hard making beds & getting dinner ready. The Sayres came to dinner & enjoyed it. They left soon after — for California! Ellen & I washed dishes until four & then I went over to see Jo who has just got home from her father's funeral. Late supper as usual. Hugie brings Mrs. Jones (nee Della Hedeman) to see house & kids. ~~coming~~

Monday, October 2, 1939

275th day — 90 days follow

Evagran back! Great rejoicing in the family. I did my washing leisurely & hung it in the library on account of rain. After lunch I potted some of my house plants in spite of the drizzle as I'm afraid of frost. Then I got dressed & went over to Martha's to sew & have a cup of tea with Miss Voris. Much U.C.S. talk. In the evening Hugie had a vesting meeting & I helped Henry with his history and when they were all in bed I put the beams in a couple of Ellen's skirts, in the ~~lib~~ listening to radio



Tuesday, October 3, 1939

276th day — 89 days follow

When my daily tasks were done I figured out my bills & went down town to pay them. Rode home with Hugie. I have to get Henry to school at 2:30 as he is on the traffic patrol & feels very important. Left all alone after lunch. Had a beautiful time cleaning out my desk & reading old letters to Ma & Dad. But finally I went down stairs to iron. After supper I wrote a long letter to Aunt Maud (hoping she'll send me some dresses) & then went for Ellen at the Scoats. Included an accumulation of broken things.

Helped Hugie pick 4 wood  
Wednesday, October 4, 1939 <sup>cock.</sup>

277th day — 88 days follow

Another cloudy day so I resolved to get my mending done & worked faithfully all morning. But after lunch I went out to pick spinach & the sun came out & it grew so nice I couldn't bear to go in. I potted some plants for the church bazaar & went over to the Shiffers to dig up a lily & Mrs. Witten gave me some nice house plants. Jo came over to get some spinach. It was supper time when I went in — tired. Had to help Henry again — he takes his work very serious & this morning I happily read.

Thursday, October 5, 1939

278th day — 87 days follow

Mended a sweater of  
Hugie's which took quite  
a while & then prepared  
the bucket of grapes  
that Siegie sent over  
for grape juice. In the  
afternoon I wrote up my  
diary for the past week  
before going over to the  
Reading club at Man-  
thas. It turned out to  
be a lovely day & I  
hated being indoors  
but it is always  
nice at Manthas. After  
supper Hugie took me  
to see "The Wizard of  
Oz" — a very well done  
movie & one of my old  
pets. Home early so we  
had a bit before bed.

Friday, October 6, 1939

279th day — 86 days follow

I was planning to finish  
my mending & go to Jessie's  
to lunch but she phoned  
that I shouldn't come &  
it was such a beautiful  
day I was delighted to  
be able to work in garden.  
First I bottled the grape  
juice & Siegie came in for  
a while. Then I got to  
work on the dandelions  
in rock garden. After lunch  
I continued — weeded the  
mint, etc etc — just a  
lovely time all by myself.  
Hugie at a commerce  
dinner so I ate shredded  
wheat later & when the  
children were all in bed  
I did the mending, with  
ack + radio for company

to bed - he'd been hunting  
all day. <sup>So I turned on the radio</sup> Saturday, October 7, 1939.  
S. Seneca.

280th day - 85 days follow

Did my washing and  
got it out early and  
picked carrots & cabbage  
in my garden. Then I  
dressed to go to State  
College to Genie's to lunch.  
On the way I mailed a  
box to Heinie with a long  
wild carrot root in it!  
Genie seemed very glad  
to see me. We went to  
the Corner Room to eat  
& we talked so much it  
took us until three! We  
went then a new house  
being built next to the  
Blairs & finally we settled  
down to sew still talking.  
After supper I went with  
Hugie to get the paper. O!  
He got ~~nothing~~ I went

Sunday, October 8, 1939

281st day - 84 days follow

The children & I went to  
Sunday School - I had  
just one pupil, Jean Parnell.  
I guess they don't like me.  
Mr. Williams, a minister  
from Utah who wants to  
come here, spoke to the S.S.  
I got the children to help  
me pick spinach when we  
got home & then I dashed  
to church. Grace thinks Mr.  
Williams is the one we  
should get - oh, yes, indeed.  
After dinner I took a nap.  
Hugie is listening to the ball  
game. Then I got busy &  
fixed an old blue flannel  
dress to fit Ellen & put  
fur collar & cuffs on her  
coat - that took me until  
11 P.M. with ~~nothing~~ etc in

Monday, October 9, 1939

282nd day — 83 days follow

Did my washing and  
worked on my plants  
for the church a bit.  
After lunch I picked  
& arranged flowers &  
dusted the porch & got  
the tea things ready &  
then sat on the porch &  
waited & waited for  
Martha & Miss Trio  
to come. It was nearly  
tea time when they ar-  
rived & it seemed a  
short visit. It is very  
hot today — 80°. After  
supper I went to the  
auxiliary meeting &  
helped my S. S. girls wash  
the refreshment dishes.  
I like the girls but would  
like to get rid of S. S. job.

Tuesday, October 10, 1939

283rd day — 82 days follow

Got up early & cleaned  
the laundry before break-  
fast. At nine thirty  
Georgette Purnell came  
to pose for me. We ar-  
ranged the mirror so  
that she could watch  
me work, which she  
enjoyed. She stayed to  
lunch & we got along  
beautifully with the  
picture. It was done by  
four so we got some  
martinis & tried to  
make Anne Dalis' por-  
trait look like her —  
Georgette suggesting.  
After supper she brought  
her family to see it. They  
liked it. Then I went  
to bed & read — by candle



Wednesday, October 11, 1939

284th day — 81 days follow

Did my chores & then went to the laundry to iron. An electrician came to fix the stove. I had to buy a new hot plate & he worked till twelve & Ev. & I worried about lunch but she got one ready in record time. In the afternoon Hugie took Deb & me down to work at the rummage sale. When we were there she & I walked to Singie's where we had a nice tea party & I mended a sweater for her. After supper Hugie went to his office & I was finishing the visioning when Stew came in. Read letter.

Thursday, October 12, 1939

285th day — 80 days follow

Hugie went out early this morning & got four more woodcock. I finally got to work at the sewing machine but was interrupted by a call from Geo. Valentino. In the afternoon I had the car to take some of the Reading Club to Janet's. Gen was there. We started "Harlequin House" by Marjorie Sharpe. & had a heated argument at tea about churchies. After supper Ellen went to the movies & Hugie to his office. The boys helped me sew on machine. Ellen didn't come home when she promised & cried & cried. Hugie & I picked woodcock.

Friday, October 13, 1939

286th day — 79 days follow

Did a few odd jobs like cutting my toenails & washing Ellen's hair before going out to do a little transplanting in my flower beds. In the afternoon, after much trouble getting the children settled (no school today) I went to the rummage sale & worked hard making things. Eugene came to get a few things. Then Siegie came for me with Henry, but had to wait a while. Then we had sodas & bought Henry some shoes. After supper Hugie & I saw myrna, Fay, J. Power, Geo. Bunt in "The Rainy Season". Good.

~~I went to see the~~

Saturday, October 14, 1939

287th day — 78 days follow

Did my washing and had early lunch in order to get down to the rummage sale. Hugie & Pete were hunting again but actually got home in time with the car. The sale was much as usual altho we didn't get rid of all the dresses. Too many people have sales nowadays. I did a little shopping & then stopped at Martha's for a cup of tea & a chat. In the evening I was busy making Ellen a dress & Hugie plucking birds when the Siegs came in, but we went right on working & had a nice time.

Sunday, October 15, 1939

288th day — 77 days follow

The child died & I dashed off to Sunday School. I had three today, but a right interesting lesson. Ethel Hauser, after promising me to come, was not there. She is hopeless. We picked spinach & made heads. After dinner Jack Sutton came to see Hugie on club business, but when he left we went to Lock Haven to see Aunt Gertie & Uncle Will, both in hospital. Then we went to call on the MacCombs. Got home at 8 — Mike still over at Sarge. Ellen & Harry alone here. Ate some supper & each of us fell asleep over news paper.

Monday, October 16, 1939

289th day — 76 days follow

Did my washing & read a magazine mystery story at the same time. In the afternoon I went out to pot more plants for the clunch & arrange a glass bowl garden for myself. It was lonely out today — quite warm & clear in spite of the frost last night. My minnies & tomatoes are gone — it is sad. The boys & I turned the corn stalks & beans. After supper I put away the wash — & the children & then Mr. & Mrs. Heilman (special agent) came to call. Hugie at rest but he came back soon.

Tuesday, October 17, 1939

290th day — 75 days follow

Mrs. Thompson showed  
last night took me to go  
down & help her put away  
the rummage sale things.  
So down I went & worked  
for over an hour & no one  
else appeared so I got  
tired & left. Grace gave  
me a lift home & talked  
& talked. After lunch I  
got all ready for Anne  
Dale to pose for her picture  
a little more but it was  
after 3 when she came.  
Before I had finished with  
her, Georgette came back  
with her, bringing Mrs. Smith.  
Mentha Curtin also appeared.  
But I managed to paint.  
After supper I ironed &  
cleaned up.

Wednesday, October 18, 1939

291st day — 74 days follow

I was all set to spend the  
morning in bed, but had  
no excuse, so finally  
got myself organized  
doing a few chores like  
wrapping green tomatoes  
in newspaper in the  
cellar to ripen. In the  
afternoon I went out  
in the rain sun & wind  
& dug the sod & dande-  
lions off of a place by  
Jack's fence for an iris  
bed and in the evening  
after I had cooked  
supper, Hugie went  
out & dug it deep for  
me. I stretched out &  
read the Post. I got a letter  
from Beavis today &  
she likes the curtains.



Thursday, October 19, 1939

292nd day — 73 days follow

Another nice sunny day so I went out to dig up the iris & plant it in the new bed. It had grown too much for the front beds. In the afternoon I went to Winifred's to the Reading Club. We read very little but talked a great deal. Hugie went to Bill Sieg's dinner at the club in honor of Phil Ray, to be married Saturday. So we had no cooked supper. Sieg's came over later and we played Russian Banks & gossiped till 12 - Hugie came before I had got to bed L.O.

Friday, October 20, 1939

293rd day — 72 days follow

As soon as I had my chores done I made a postal of Billy Sieg who sat very nicely. Ev. & I liked it but Hugie, as usual, thought it was terrible. Very encouraging. Bess Cooney brought me some lilacs so I spent the afternoon planting them. The Shallcrosses came to dinner - woodcock - the children had theirs earlier. It was very nice & later the Shoppers dropped in. When we were going to bed Hugie & I had a fight over club rules & he got very mad at me but I don't know

Saturday, October 21, 1939

294th day — 71 days follow

I don't feel at all well today, but I did my washing & fooled with Billy's picture, making it worse. We had a bad hail storm just before lunch. Crazy weather these days. Hugie is still mad at me. I took a nap after lunch after I had hung the wash out in the sun. Then I had to dash to get it in again before another storm. I sat up in my bed room mending & watching the storms go by. After supper Hugie picked wood cock but I sat up & read.

Sunday, October 22, 1939

295th day — 70 days follow

The children & I went off to Sunday School. When we came home the sky, the mountains & the dam were the most beautiful I have ever seen them. I began to make the beds & I put my summer clothes away neatly. After dinner I watered my plants & looked at the papers & finally got to work at my desk, fixing up my new account book. Then Siegie & Ann came in. The portrait of Billy doesn't look like Billy any more — I wish I hadn't touched it. After supper & children were out I sat at desk.

Monday, October 23, 1939

296th day — 69 days follow

I did my washing and couldn't resist touching Billy's picture & the next thing it began to look like Billy again. Philip Shoenoken brought me some manure but it is too wet to dig it in. Sigge asked me to go to the college so I went with her & bought some painting supplies. We saw a movie advertised so after supper we persuaded our husbands to take us back. I had to get Max as Eva again also wanted to go to the movies. It was a prima dancer in "On Jean-Jacques Road. I scream & I scream

Tuesday, October 24, 1939

297th day — 68 days follow

Still in good health, I got up & did my ironing a lot of summer dresses etc. After lunch I ironed a little while & then could not resist going outdoors to pull up some of my annuals & gaze at the glorious lights on the mountains. At four Martha came & we had tea & I told her of my internal troubles & wished I hadn't. After supper I finally finished my ironing. Hugo & Ellen both out to meetings. I finally went to bed and read an article on "Menopause" in Reader's Digest.

husbands went to C. Club.  
Wednesday, October 25, 1939

298th day — 67 days follow

Spent the morning mend-  
ing but did not seem to  
get much done. Wagman  
left before lunch to go  
to a funeral. After I had  
told the children to school  
the depression I've been  
feeling became too much  
& I cried & Hugie finally  
comforted me. I wondered  
if we still love each other  
or if it is only habit.  
Later I went over to Mar-  
tha's & she was very con-  
soling. Found Wagman un-  
expectedly here so I went  
with Hugie & the Siegs to  
the Elbs Sea food supper.  
Set aside the Lane. We  
visited library. Then Siegs  
I Duggins, husband while

Thursday, October 26, 1939

299th day — 66 days follow

Still in good health &  
still depressed but I  
managed to shorten  
my old brown check coat.  
In the afternoon I drove  
with Mary up to Janie's  
to the Reading club.  
Only one carload to go.  
Gen was there & it was  
nice to see her again.  
When I got home I found  
Yoke had been there to  
put in the replacements  
& now I can't find a  
pet plant that Mavis  
gave me. Hugie at club  
to dinner — date none  
but had a cocktail &  
wrote to Mary Reynolds  
& read "Life" — Hugie  
came home early.



Friday, October 27, 1939

300th day - 65 days follow

At last! I spent the morning in bed with a light heart & read Reader's Digest. After lunch I plucked two woodcock and finished Phillip's picture. Then I lay down to rest for a while before Sieg's came over to look at costumes. But we couldn't decide on anything. After supper we went to see "The Woman with Shearer, Crawford & Russell & lots of other good actresses in it. It was excellent. We stopped at the Sheffers & had a highball there before going to the school to get Ellen at her Halloween party. - 11:30

Saturday, October 28, 1939

301st day - 64 days follow

I did my washing, taking it easy between changing. And after lunch with Mike out & Henry & Ellen playing nicely together I took a nice long nap. It is a horrible rainy day with a spot of sunlight every now & then to give you false hope. Sieg's came over again & I pressed my costumes. Lunch later the Sieg's came to take us to the dance at the club - Hugie, a Maharajah & me, the Holbein Lady, but most of them thought I was a Maharani!! It was a good fun - home - 2:30

Sunday, October 29, 1939

302nd day — 63 days follow

Went to Sunday School  
+ then to church at eleven.  
Mr. Steffler from Newport, Pa.  
was the minister + he  
came to our house to  
dinner afterward. He was  
very nice. He is also an  
artist + criticized my  
pictures for me — getting  
too far away from facts.  
He left early + I napped +  
then helped Henry with his  
geography. Jo + Pete came  
in for a drink before supper.  
Afterward Huguie + I got to  
talking about the house  
+ ourselves until I had to  
go to the laundry to cry —  
we were down there a long  
time — I do believe we love  
each other — but why do we fight?

Monday, October 30, 1939

303rd day — 62 days follow

Did my washing and  
thought a great deal  
about Huguie + me. If we  
can just manage not  
to have our 'loving squab-  
bles, life will be so much  
easier. In the afternoon  
I took a little nap until  
Martha came. She insis-  
ted on paying me \$1.25  
a piece for those towels  
I made her. We had a  
nice talk about life in  
general + the changes there-  
of. After supper I had a time  
with Ellen when a little  
boy whistled + she sneaked  
out doors to see him. And  
she's only 13. I read + Huguie  
talked with the ~~family~~  
which isn't ~~much~~ O.K.

Tuesday, October 31, 1939

304th day — 61 days follow

Swept the studio before  
breakfast, but did not  
have everything in order  
when Peggy came to have  
her portrait painted. She  
does not want to buy  
it, so I posed her & painted  
her to suit myself. An  
awful scurry at lunch  
time, getting the boys cos-  
tumed & back to school  
by one. It is another hor-  
rible rainy day. By four  
the portrait was done &  
I am very much pleased  
with it. We had tea & then  
she left. Siegie came over  
to see it — at cocktail time.  
She & Hugie like it. After supper  
Pat Ellen had with a rain-  
renovated dress &

Wednesday, November 1, 1939

305th day — 60 days follow

Hugie & Jack went off to  
hunt grouse today.  
I did my ironing & listen-  
ed to the shots on my  
mountain. Then I got  
all dressed up to go with  
Siegie & others to the college  
to a big bridge luncheon  
given by Fida Adams  
& Louise Sieg at the Brit-  
tany Lion hotel. It was  
most elaborate & very  
nice. 27 women there &  
my head ached when we  
finally got home at 6.  
Ev. "had off" & the children  
were eating cereal, in a  
hurry to get to the Parade  
in which they were with  
the Red Cross. Hugie & then  
took time to see parade. Ironed

Thursday, November 2, 1939

306th day — 59 days follow

Couldn't make up my mind whether to garden or polish silver. so I did other odds & ends, like hanging & mending & pulling up carnots & at last at 11:30 I began to polish silver! In the afternoon I went to the Reading Club at Siegie's & started a red sweater for Henry. Mary & Deborah walked home with me afterward to see Peg's picture. They liked it. Hugie went out after supper, & Ellen's beau Edward Allen & another boy came to see her, in the library room like gentlemen than before. Pete came, too. After he left I wrote to Miss Cook, whose mother died & to Heine. <sup>7 weeks</sup>

Friday, November 3, 1939

307th day — 58 days follow

I had to polish silver this morning in spite of the fine weather outside & it took me all morning to finish. After lunch, tho, I went out to dig chicken manure into my flower beds. I looked like a peasant & felt like one & Cousin Kitten Boper & Cousin Patty Fay came walking out to see me! They did not stay long & I got a lot done before going in to clean up & then my best for Grace & Hank Fred & Kitten came to dinner. Wood cook & they enjoyed it. Grace & Kitten talked so much & so fast that I felt quite happy.



Saturday, November 4, 1939

308th day — 57 days follow

The washing to do but I got it all hung out before lunch so that afterward I could rush to my garden. I got all the children to help me — Harry loading manure — Mike & Ellen trimming off dead plants. Barthant came to fix the furnace & men mowing for office, but finally we were thru & I had to take them down town for sodas as pay. Stopped to fix the church. Hugie was hunting all day but he got home in time to get me at the A. & P. at six. Had to go back again after supper to change Mike's shoes.

Sunday, November 5, 1939

309th day — 56 days follow

Awoke at seven to find the children all out in the yard playing in about five inches of SNOW! It was a beautiful world but not when I had to help Hugie put the chains on the car to get us to Sunday School — late at that. Went to church at 11 — American Legion there with Mr. Schoefield from Williamsport preaching. Grouse for dinner! In the afternoon I mended & read & felt snug with snow all around outside. John Atte & Chester Woolworth on their way to bird camp stopped here & stayed to supper! But it was for

Monday, November 6, 1939

310th day — 55 days follow

Did my washing & in the midst of it I had callers - Grace & Cousin Ritten - again they made me dizzy with their fast talking - each trying to get ahead of the other. In the afternoon Swagman stayed here to help me wash the dishes in the corner cupboard. Everything was done but not put back at five when Hugie asked me to drive to club with him, which I did, for a breath of fresh air. Put the dishes back after supper. Hugie had a meeting & when the children were in bed, I turned on the radio & knitted.

Tuesday, November 7, 1939

311th day — 54 days follow

A perfect day for washing windows so I got busy on the living room ones. No person to paint today anyway. Geo. Valentine came in to see Peggy's picture. In the afternoon I continued with the windows (dining room) even after Martha arrived with her knitting. We had tea & then I sat down to rest & knit too. Mike came asking for birthday present to give Billy & Martha got Blanche to wrap up a book for him but later Billy brought it back because he had one! Hugie took means of - I

Wednesday, November 8, 1939

312th day — 53 days follow

I took down all the lace curtains + slip covers + washed some + hung others out in the strong wind which was always blowing them off the line. In the afternoon I had my ironing to do and a Cathedral pudding to bake. Siegie came in just in time to help me with the latter. Then ate + I had a drink. I washed around trying to get the velvet curtains hung before dinner. Martha + John came for that dinner - very good grouse + red wine. Then Bob Mc Cord, special agent, came in to make arrangements about tomorrow.

Thursday, November 9, 1939

313th day — 52 days follow

Hugie + Mac Cord went off early to hunt. When I got up I washed the stairway window + then hung the nice clean curtains - that window looks like a bird's with the fern on the window sill for a bouquet. I framed Billy's picture + did odd jobs. In the afternoon I went to Reading club at Beck's. We are still reading "Harlequin House". He talked a lot about taking over Needlework Guild. And we ate cherry pie. Mac Cord stayed to supper + helped with dishes (Ev. out) + bought us all ice cream cones. Fred + P. Warner came to see.

Friday, November 10, 1939

314th day — 51 days follow

Did my washing. It is a beautiful day to garden - but also to go to Fishing Creek. After lunch I packed up blankets etc. & pretty soon Siegie & Jo Shaffer came for me & we went - was pretty & then to Lamar where we got sausage & on to get a turkey. At last we got to the Siego camp & got busy building fires to take off the chill & starting to cook supper. By & by our hunting husbands arrived with 3 grouse & Jack. After supper we sat around fire - others got sleepy & retired. Siegie & I played ~~cards~~ <sup>cards</sup>.

Saturday, November 11, 1939

315th day — 50 days follow

Siegie & I made a mistake sleeping on hard benches near the fire! After we had cooked break fast for the hunters we went back to bed in our husbands beds. At ten we got up again, tidied the camp & then went for a walk, gathering moss. Came back to eat a bite & put the turkey in the oven. Then Jo napped but Siegie & I went for a brisk walk down the road & I talked about my old beans! The turkey dinner was a feast & then we all got sleepy but we had to pack up & lock up & go home to our own warm <sup>beds</sup>.



Sunday, November 12, 1939

316th day — 49 days follow

49 years ago Dad & Ma were married! I went to Sunday school & then to church which service the acolytes held. In the afternoon I cut the boys' hair & did odd jobs until Siegie came over with her mass & together we arranged beautiful bowls of it in the laundry. Pete came in looking for Hugie. Mike came in not feeling well & very hot so I put him to bed & he went right off to sleep — what now? After supper Hugie & I read the paper & went to bed. ~~Nothing~~ <sup>nothing</sup> much

Monday, November 13, 1939

317th day — 48 days follow

Time to do the washing again. Mike is in bed but seems to be feeling all right, thank goodness. In the afternoon I sat with him and we hummed duets with a fancy stitch to give to Martha. Mike did one beautifully! When Henry came home I went downstairs to put the wash away. After supper I went to auxiliary meeting. Miss Cook is resigning, alas. I hurried home & found Ellis been had been here (children all alone) Later I gave the laundry a good cleaning

Tuesday, November 14, 1939

318th day — 47 days follow

Kidre got up but didn't go to school until after lunch. In the mean time Julia Roll came to have her portrait painted, and stayed to lunch, of course. By four we were finished & she likes it. We had a cup of tea & then she left & I cleaned up the kitchen. The portrait is one of the best, bright ones — I like Peggy's better. After supper Wagman stayed here while Augie & I went to see Jean Arthur & James Stewart in "Kn. Smith" goes to Washington on a special train.

Wednesday, November 15, 1939

319th day — 46 days follow

I washed my hair when I got up & had a beautiful time after breakfast cutting it! Had to get w. to smooth off the edges. My hair comes out in handfuls. Then I sat in the sun in my window & relaxed. Siegie came in for a moment. In the afternoon I wrote a long letter to Beau, part business. Then I discovered it was so nice out of doors that I went out & transplanted some things I've been worrying about. At last I went downstairs to do my ironing. After supper (Ellen's) Ellen & Augie both went out. Later I permitted to tune of radio.

Shuffers, too came in, to see  
Hugie who finally came home  
Thursday, November 16, 1939

320th day — 45 days follow

Figured out my bills &  
went down town to pay  
them. Went up to see Hugie's  
new office girl, Mary L. Kello.  
But he had to lunch  
with a prospective rector  
so I had to walk all  
the way home. In the after-  
noon I went to the Reading  
Club at Jo's. We are going  
to take over the needlework  
Guild as a group. Just before  
Ellen was brought  
there by her teacher with  
a big bump on her head  
where she fell upstairs.  
Pete took us home & I put  
her to bed. She was sick at  
her stomach. She slept &  
later at some broth & felt  
better. Hugie came over at

Pete McCord sent me pot of  
drying the pumpkins! Bill Sieg  
brought me a box of candy!!  
Friday, November 17, 1939

321st day — 44 days follow

Ellen seems to feel all  
right today so I took her  
to school in the car. It  
was such a nice balmy  
day it seemed to joint  
only to my washing  
windows. In the after-  
noon I continued with  
Ellen sitting from win-  
dow to window with me,  
weaving, as her head  
ached & I kept her home.  
We made wool flowers  
later when my arms got  
too tired to wash. At 6:15  
the Shuffers & Siegs arrived  
for a delicious grouse  
dinner — those killed at  
Fishing Creek. Later we  
played "Buccarum" until  
one for — — — time

Saturday, November 18, 1939

322nd day — 43 days follow

Did my washing and helped Ellen to decide to give her dolls to a mission box. Harry is all excited about an idea to dig a secret passage under the play house! He & Peter started it in the afternoon while Ellen & I were out there throwing manure on the rock garden. It was a beautiful afternoon. Now I have my flower beds in good shape, but the vegetables <sup>one</sup> are still a mess. After supper Huguie stayed home in bed while Stigie & I went to see Solie Howard in "Intimacy". Also saw Cat & ~~Conny~~.

Sunday, November 19, 1939

323rd day — 42 days follow

Sunday School — one of my lost sheep is back, Jean McKinley — but if she seems hopeless. I did not go to church but worked at my desk on missionary reports, etc. In the afternoon Huguie took Ellen & me to Beech Creek to see the sick relatives & Mary Eschewite. Later Mary went with us to Uncle Dick's, where we had high balls & Ellen had milk & sandwiches. They had ten beautiful wild geese they had shot. Home at 9, boys in bed, having taken care of them since O.K. Read paper while Huguie worked.



Monday, November 20, 1939

324th day — 41 days follow

Did my washing and  
scrubbed in order to waste  
not a minute. In the  
afternoon I tied up the  
mission box & walked  
down town to Dr. Hegal  
who worked on my  
teeth for an hour. Then  
Hugie picked me up &  
took me to Siegie's. She  
was having a large  
tea in honor of Mrs.  
Phil Ray. Jo & I took turn  
pouring. I tried to find  
a model for tomorrow  
but in vain. In the evening  
Hugie went to his office  
so I turned on the radio  
& sat there with my  
feet up. I got blue later  
thinking about our debts.

Tuesday, November 21, 1939

325th day — 40 days follow

As soon as I had the  
beds made, I got to work  
polishing the floors  
down stairs. Siegie came  
in just as I was waxing  
the hall, returning from  
goods. In the afternoon  
I hurried to run the  
polisher over the floors  
before Martha would  
get here. And then sat  
with her & hemstitched.  
Pretty soon Julia Roll  
brought Mrs. Griffith (Gelt-  
chen Williams) to see my  
pictures — she wants to  
have hers done (she is  
very jilly). Later Martha  
& I had tea in place after  
supper (Hugie out). I made  
tea & aprons & clench.

Wednesday, November 22, 1939

326th day — 39 days follow

watered my flowers & did various odd jobs before doing my ironing. In the afternoon I went to Cat Jones's to the Reading Club. Forget what else I did, but I'd like to say here how I worry about Ellen. She is so untidy & careless. Her room looks as if our hurricanes were perpetually in it. She carries herself very badly & often falls clumsily - as if she had no backbone. And, with all that, she is very crazy & overjoyed at any show of attention. And so I worry as to how I can teach her to "suck in her guts" fast.

Thursday, November 23, 1939

327th day - 38 days follow

27th day 28 days follow  
This is F.D. Roosevelt's Thank-  
sgiving Day! It is also the  
day that Ma died. I  
went to church & took  
all 3 kids with me.  
Then I swept the screens  
as Hugie took them off.  
A nice turkey dinner.  
Then Ellen & Henry went  
to the N. S. football game  
& Mike to Billy's & Hugie  
& I went hunting - & Jack.  
But we found no pleas-  
ants as we had hoped.  
We ended up near Beech  
Creek & went in to see  
Aunt Gertrude & Uncle George  
who insisted we eat sup-  
per with them. Found children  
Dok. when we got home. Hugie  
had to go out. & I can read.

\*P.M. Friday, November 24, 1939

328th day — 37 days follow

Did my washing & watched Peter & Henry struggling to dig an underground passage to the play house. In the afternoon I went to State College with Grace. Ellen went, too, to play with Jane Walker while I played bridge with Gen & Janet & Grace at the Donithornes. Jack took us to the corner room for tea!! After supper Hugie & I went to see a movie "Thunder Afloat" with Wallace Beery about submarines, which was very good except I had a pain. Went to bed early with hot water.

Saturday, November 25, 1939

329th day — 36 days follow

I stayed in bed all morning, reading the Readers Digest. In the afternoon the boys went over to the Sheffers & Ellen & I were left alone in a nice quiet house to do our sewing. I worked on sacket bags for the church & for Mrs & Ellen made a doll, also for the church and we had a nice little tea party. Later in the evening Hugie & I went to Rebecca Donworths cocktail party which turned out to be an announcement of her engagement to Ralph Lighten. At 12 we went to club home at 2.

Sunday, November 26, 1939

330th day — 35 days follow

Somehow managed to get to Sunday school — but such a pathetic S.S. Also went to church (late) with Hugie. He had the flowers on the altar in memory of his father, we took some to Mrs. Lamb but the rest we kept & they are so beautiful. After dinner (cold turkey) made the beds & napped a bit before going to Williams port with Hugie to a family supper at Lina's. The Conells were there, too & Sid & Gephant & Aunt Sarah & Uncle George. It was a delicious supper but not as congenial a crowd. We played telegrams etc. came home in about 11 am.

Monday, November 27, 1939

331st day — 34 days follow

Did my washing & nearly froze hanging it out, but there is such a nice sun. Also cleaned my dear old riding boots. In the afternoon I took great pleasure in being all alone in my beautiful house. I sat on lawn port making baskets but was glad later on when good old Siegie dropped in & helped a bit with the baskets. Mary Eochewich & Dugal also dropped in but just for a second. After sup Hugie went to a meeting & I turned the radio on to the "true or false" thing & made decorations for hat.



Tuesday, November 28, 1939

332nd day — 33 days follow

I took a pile of accumulated mending down to the dining room & worked all morning putting patches on Henry's pants & cutting others down to fit quiko. After lunch Jack Wilkinson came & took some of my pictures & put in his store window. Then I went down town & stopped at the 5 & 10 before going to the dentist. Leaving there I hurried to get to Martha's in time for tea & stayed in her congenial company until suppertime. Hugh went to his office again & got to work on my patches by machine. Was interrupted by Brickley & Gen. came for their clock. <sup>Miss</sup>

Wednesday, November 29, 1939

333rd day — 32 days follow

Finished up a little machine sewing from last night & then went to the basement to iron. After lunch I went to Grace's to get Ma's clock to replace Gen's. Then I had to hurry to get to the dentist. He finished up with me, thank goodness. I went to Mary Cool's to talk about the auxiliary president, which I will not be. Also stopped to see Mrs. Mac Cullen on the same subject. After supper, Ellen had a meeting but the boys & I went with Hugh to take a cute wee puppy to a former friend. Later I started mending.

Thursday, November 30, 1939

334th day — 31 days follow

This is the real Thanksgiving Day + some people are celebrating it. But it is just another day to us. I continued with my mending job, getting my skirts in shape, + sewing more red on Hugie's hunting coat. After lunch he got ready to go to Mule Dick's camp + after a fond farewell - he left, much to poor Jack's dismay. Martha arrived + after a little while took us to the Presbyterian fair for tea. Talked to Mrs. Thompson about auxiliaries. The children ate their steaks before I did - I busy writing in my + account book. Later I ~~with~~ threads in

Friday, December 1, 1939

335th day — 30 days follow

Ellen slept in Hugie's bed. I did not sleep very well, my tooth ached - one that he just filled. I did my washing in the morning + pressed my skirts that Doc had tanned. They brought me plants from the Pres. fair to keep for ours. Nice but a nuisance. Went to the Reading Club at Grace's + talked Grace's news present! A number. Stopped to see Mrs. Bible on way home about Campshade. I did not eat any supper, but tasted the marmalade while the children ate theirs. Later Siegie brought Oliver in + Doc brought Regalona

Saturday, December 2, 1939

336th day — 29 days follow

Started to paint a portrait of Henry as soon as my clothes were done. It is to be a present for Hugie. By lunch time the head was practically done to my satisfaction — my masterpiece, my Henry. In the afternoon I finished it without further pouring from Henry, luckily, as Jack Cliffe arrived to play with him. Then I transplanted some thing for the church. Katherine Cliffe also came & she spent the night. I left them alone to go to the Craig's bridge party for the Cliffes. Hugie finally arrived from deer camp in time for refreshment.

Sunday, December 3, 1939

23

337th day — 28 days follow

Took all the children, including K. Cliffe to Sunday school, but Jean Mcgarry wasn't there & we had no music & tried to sing without it. I didn't go to church, but made beds & did some more mending. Katherine was here to dinner but had to leave soon after. I mended & painted flower pots. Jack Cliffe & Peter were here & made my ears ring with their noise & what's more — they stayed to supper. By the time they left I was a limp rag — can't take it like I used to. I wanted Hugie to read to me while I sewed but he didn't.

Monday, December 4, 1939

338th day — 27 days follow

Did my mending and put the plants in shape for the bazaar. After lunch I went to Potter's Mills with Hugie & on to State College where I bought a large lady doll for Ellen & went to see Gen at the Blair's store while Hugie did his business. Then he treated me to a milkshake & we had a nice ride home thru the wintry woods. I wrote to Heenie, Wini & Mary R before supper. Afterward I listened to Henry's lessons - put away the wash, sealed the marmalade & finally got around to drawing a Christmas card for us.

Tuesday, December 5, 1939

339th day — 26 days follow

As soon as my chores were done I settled at my desk to finish the bus card - but, oh, I had drawn it on paper that wouldn't take ink & had to do it all over again. It was after lunch when I lost & finished it & got it ready to mail. Then I did my mending & ironed the things I made for the bazaar. After supper I was figuring out my bills when Hugie suggested going to the Secs. Titan Metal is in bad shape due to a court decision about the labor board. So we went over & had a



Made #122 in spite of ill.

Wednesday, December 6, 1939

340th day — 25 days follow

I went down town early in the morning & did all my shopping & paying of bills before getting the car from Hugie to take my plants to the parish house for our bazaar. After lunch I went back to the bazaar & tried to sell all the lonely plants that people had brought me, but we didn't have a very good crowd, I guess, even my mornate didn't sell. I was very glad when Hugie came to take me & my things home. He went to his office after supper & I put my account book in order & then read the Post.

Thursday, December 7, 1939

341st day — 24 days follow

When my chores were done I transplanted the plants I got yesterday & it was so nice & warm outdoors I planted Mr. McLeod's chrysanthemum in my garden & cut off other dead plants. After lunch I went to the Parish house so that Mr. Woodring could get the left-over plants there. Then to Deborah's to the Reading club. I took Ellen's doll for them to see! After supper Hugie left for Uncle Dick's camp again, alas, and I went with Siegie to see Claudette Colbert & Henry Fonda in "Dress the Man in a Good."

Friday, December 8, 1939

342nd day — 23 days follow

Ellen slept in Hugie's bed — it was too terribly windy for me to sleep very well. I did my washing & cleaned up the laundry a bit. In the afternoon poor Henry pinched his finger in the door in his hurry to get off to school — got Siegie to give him a lift. I read "Life" for a long time & had just started to cut out pajamas for Hugie when Julia's doll came with a Mrs. Jiggs who says her son made for me to paint! She stayed & I gave her tea. Made pajamas until nearly nine & then ate supper. Ellen at party until 10:30.

Saturday, December 9, 1939

343rd day — 22 days follow

All chores done, the children & I got to work on the play room, going over everything, throwing away broken junk & putting a few away for the Red Cross — Ellen is the most generous. Peter came in & worked hardest of all. After lunch I could not for the life of me resist a nap on the davenport — slept like a log till 3 when Martha came. Finished Hugie's pajamas. Cold supper again — I was just eating mine when Pete & Jo came in — Pete went downtown. They went home at 10:30. Then Hugie came home.

Sunday, December 10, 1939

344th day — 21 days follow

went to Sunday school  
only two in my class  
again, after such a nice  
church last week. Then  
I went to Miss Cook's  
for her ferns which I'm  
going to keep while she  
is away. At home, made  
beds & made curtains for  
guest room! — shortened  
some that were too long.  
After dinner Ellen & I  
went over her dolls  
& their clothes, mending  
them & ironing etc. to give  
them to Miss Park's mission  
box. Another coat of  
paint on Mr. Jiggs —  
he is a big job. Siegia  
came over & invited me to  
go to Win's port — too long

Monday, December 11, 1939

345th day — 20 days follow

Evagran & I got to work  
on the play room & laundry.  
She washed the paint &  
I "vacuumed" the rafters  
& washed the inside of the  
windows — too cold outside.  
After lunch while she  
scrubbed the floors & it  
took her two hours, I  
polished silver in the  
kitchen & then I made her  
rest while I put the wax  
on the floors. After supper  
I had to go to the angling  
meeting of which we  
informally elected Mrs.  
Thompson president &  
Mrs. Daisy Antin vice. I  
packed 2 enormous boxes  
to go to Miss Park's mission.  
Polished floors when I got home.

Tuesday, December 12, 1939

346th day — 19 days follow

I had my washing to do today — such a big one I had a line outdoors & another one inside! I put things back in their places in playroom in between. In the afternoon Hugie went with me to the Parish House to tie the ropes around the mission boxes. When I got home I painted a lamp shade for him with pretty garden flowers. After supper I sat in the library pulling threads in my mumer for Grace while Hugie worked at his desk. He is tired from hunting notes today & so in a depressed mood.

Wednesday, December 13, 1939

347th day — 18 days follow

I washed again today, this time curtains & bedspreads. In the afternoon I got Deborah to sit in the laundry with me while I ironed for four hours! But she was pleasant company & we had tea to spur me on. Then I hung the curtains I had ironed but the lovely ones for our room had gone to pieces on the edges so after supper I cut them narrower & hemmed them on the machine. Also gave "Mr Jiggs" another coat of paint — he is one awful nuisance.



Thursday, December 14, 1939

348th day — 17 days follow

up at 7 to be ready at 8:30 to paint Gretchen Williams Griffith from Ebenstung. She wanted a \$1.50 canvas & I got to work with rim. But she is one of those elusive spirits besides being very talkative & jittery and I never did get a real likeness. But it is a pretty picture white dress & red back. She got Edna Kilpatrick & Julia Hall to come to see it at 5 — I was too tired to care what they thought. After supper I moved the renovated curtains & Hugie brought me a drink & sat with me

Friday, December 15, 1939

349th day — 16 days follow

Awake to the thought of some thing unpleasant. Realized it was the Griffith portrait, but later when I got to work on it, it was much better. She brought Dr. Kilpatrick to see it. I painted in a good hand. Then she left at last — After lunch I sewed burlap around my little maples & then finished Mr. Jiggs. Martha came & saw all my works of art & then we sat in the living room & sewed. She brought me some cake. After supper Ellen went to another party — Sager. I then stitched & read "Life" & "The World".

Saturday, December 16, 1939

350th day — 15 days follow

Did my washing and got the boys to gather 6 bushels of leaves for me which I put around my little maples. After lunch I went down town with Hugie and had a beautiful time in the 5-10 doing my Christmas shopping. I found a lovely blanket for Heinie but had to go up to Hugie's office to see about the price — then he treated me to a soda. I stopped in to let the dentist look at my tooth which still aches. Coming home I stopped at Evagran's to get her to help carry my bundles. After supper the Shaffers came in. I unstitched

Sunday, December 17, 1939

351st day — 14 days follow

I went to church at 8 & there was the new minister, Mr. Newman. He is very high church but I like him, I think. He was at Sunday school, too & I do hope will bring order out of the chaos. I made beds and framed pictures before dinner (the last grouse & some sparrows!) In the afternoon the children & I tied up James' presents. At six we left them alone & drove to Uncle Dick's to the butchering of the one deer which Hugie shot. I sat with the ladies & then we all had a buffet supper in room downstairs.

Monday, December 18, 1939

352nd day — 13 days follow

Did my washing and put away all paints & cleaned the bushes — glad to give them a rest for a while. Siegie dropt in to see the Griffith portrait. After lunch I took it & Julia's & Mr. Jiggs down to Hunter where I met Julia & she paid me. I promptly spent it for more things, including blocks I got at plaining mill for Henry. And spent an hour at Dr. Stegals' — I do hope he stops that ache. After supper Hugie went out & when kids were in bed I listened to radio & finished dusting

Tuesday, December 19, 1939

353rd day — 12 days follow

While Evagran was scrubbing the stairs I gave Jack a bath & then I waxed the stairs. I polished them after lunch & packed up the Griffith portrait which I mailed when I walked to the hair dressers at 2:30 to have a permanent. Took Grace's runner with me & hemstitched diligently. Hugie took me home at six — no Evagran! She has a bad sty & it is making her sick. So I got supper. Ellen went to Scouts & Hugie took Henry & Am. Legion. I addressed the card

\* P.M.

Wednesday, December 20, 1939

354th day — 11 days follow

Still no wagon, so Ellen got breakfast & when everyone had left I got to work with the vacuum cleaner on the main floor & cleaned it with a vengeance. Also managed to get some lunch. When I took the boys to school I bought beef & made Ellen a meat loaf for her frost party tonight. The first I've ever made. Finally I got down to the laundry to do my ironing & got tired & tired. But Mike came & sat with me & cheered me up. Hugie & Ellen went for supper, the gadders & the boys & I ate cold cereal. Drove to bed.

Thursday, December 21, 1939

355th day — 10 days follow

No school, thank goodness. The children got their own breakfast & I went down & got mine on a tray & then ate it in bed! I stayed in bed all morning & finished Grace's Xmas present. After lunch I sent Ellen to bed — she is grumpy. The boys helped me with the dishes & then I went to Peggy's to the Reading club. She gave us sherry instead of tea, very nice. I cooked a venison roast for supper & it was quite good. Hugie put a dish under a bush for Buck Town, the postman & he came in to drink it. Put my desk in order — bottled a bit.



Friday, December 22, 1939

356th day — 9 days follow

Wagean is back amid great rejoicing. Mike helped me do the washing while I helped Wagean get the things from room ready for the guests.

After lunch Nogie took me & the boys out to get a Christmas tree. Ellen wasn't feeling well enough to go but baked a cake instead. We nearly froze,

the car got stuck & isn't made for hitchhiking here to it & we had an awful time. Polished silver when we got home — that warmed me up! After supper we met Bea, Nini & Hennie in Lewis room — ~~stayed~~ up till 12, talking & drinking.

Saturday, December 23, 1939

357th day — 8 days follow

Every one was late getting down to breakfast. I did my ordering, put away wash & various odd jobs including helping Ellen with tally cards to give to Martha — who came in just then & had a cocktail with us. After lunch Bea went on business with Nogie & Hennie, Nini, Ellen, Mike & I walked down town & spent much time in 57-10. We had tea at Martha's on way home John feeling high. They have new gang door bell. After dinner supper Hennie went to bed — catching cold. Pete & Jo came in. Trying to finish Hennie's sweater. Drink

Sunday, December 24, 1939

358th day — 7 days follow

The children & I went to Sunday school & then Bean went to church with Hugie & me while Minnie stayed with Heinie who was in bed all morning. After a sauerkraut dinner I went down to help trim church & to go to children's S.S. party but Hugie came & got me to go to Beech Creek & do out my duties. The whole Quigley family was at Aunt Gertie's & I felt sorry for poor Minnie among so many strangers. Home at six. Had to make wreath for door & iron Grace's mummy! She & Uncle Fred came after supper. Trimmed house & got out presents. Minnie & I went to Shoppers - others to

Monday, December 25, 1939

359th day — 6 days follow

I heard Bo & Hugie come in at 6.15! Consequently Hugie could not wake up when children came in with stockings but he did go down stairs with us & then went back to bed at 9 when I took the children to church with me. Heinie & I had breakfast after that. I opened my nine presents. Bo & Minnie struggled down but Hugie didn't appear until dinner time & I was provoked at him. A slight nap & a wash to get ready for our egg nog party - about 40 guests & a great success - lasted till 7. We washed the glasses & called on Dr. Hilpatrick. Decided not to go to dance but to drink till 2.

Tuesday, December 26, 1939

360th day - 5 days follow

More late breakfasts  
I was late myself &  
just managed to get  
the beds made clean  
before lunch. Bean has  
decided they will stay  
another day. I had a  
little nap & then Bean  
took him & Ellen & me  
for a ride to State College  
& around. We had time  
for a highball before  
going to Uncle Fred's  
to dinner. We all got  
very sleepy down there,  
listening to Grace talk.  
Got away at 9:30 but  
weren't much less sleep.  
Up here - we decided  
to go to bed early (12) instead  
of going to party in fork.

Wednesday, December 27, 1939

361st day - 4 days follow

We were all up fairly  
early today - around 9.  
I did my washing  
running up stairs between  
times to see how things  
we getting along. Bean  
packed up his clock to  
take home. After lunch  
Lugie & I drove them to  
Lewis town thru quite a  
snow storm. I was  
sorry to have them go -  
hope they enjoyed it.  
Hennie & Ellen were out  
when I got home. I tried  
to fix up the old Dresden  
clock to use in living room.  
Had it all apart but it  
still goes. Worked on it  
after supper, too. We went  
to bed early - dim.

Thursday, December 28, 1939

362nd day - 3 days follow

Felt like the sickness when I woke with this cold in my chest - & I never get colds! Heinnie & I had breakfast together. I put away the Xmas presents & the wash & tidied up in general & Eva Jean had a chance to clean at last. Heinnie & I went to Dottie Schadt's to a very nice luncheon. Nina Lamb was there, too. Later Heinnie & I walked down town & stopped to see Hugie in Leo's office. He went to club to dinner, but Ev. cooked ours. I wrote up my diary for past week & finished my sweater for Heinnie. 3 gr. sod.

Friday, December 29, 1939

363rd day - 2 days follow

I washed my hair - it was in an awful mat from not being combed since the flu. I got it curled! Bill Reynolds came to see us. Ellen & Heinnie went skating with the Grays. I did some mending & Fred Reynolds came for Bill. Mary & Evie are not in town. In the afternoon Heinnie & the children & Bill & I went to Beech Creek. While Heinnie & I talked to Aunt Gertie the children skated on the creek. The Siegs took Heinnie, Hugie & me to the Brooker's for a very nice dinner & then came here where Fred joined us.



Saturday, December 30, 1939

364th day — 1 day follows

I did my washing & Heinie went to the dentist. After lunch she finally decided she might as well go to Winifred & Peggy's party at the club. Sigie took us down. It was a big bridge affair - forty women but somehow I didn't mind the noise as much as usual & Heinie seemed to enjoy it. Fred had supper with us when we got home. I was glad when Jo & Pete came in later as I find Fred rather boring. His main topic is how he dislikes Grace. Well, she doesn't like him either.

Sunday, December 31, 1939

365th day — The last Day

Heinie & I had breakfast together & then a sad farewell. I went to Sunday School alone, while Hagie & the children took Heinie to Jewistown. In the afternoon Hagie took them off again - the club where they were while he took off "the register". Meanwhile I was left in blissful peace & quiet. But I had my ironing to do which I've been trying to do all week. Fred came in later after supper & at 11 the Sheffers came in & took him to the dance at the club. Fortunately - & Hagie & I were left alone to greet New Year.

Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> school fire.

Memoranda

now we will have to get a new sanitary building. They have been fighting about it & the school taxes for about a year, but now it will have to be done. No one was hurt in the fire & there were over 700 children in it. That is a lot to be thankful for. After lunch Ellen helped me polish silver tea set which I took down to Parish House for tea after Mrs. Steenings had spoken at the aux meeting. Three of my S.S. girls helped. Hugie went to a political dinner last ev. cooked dinner for me & the kids. After I had them in bed, I wrote a letter to Ki.

Memoranda

And so, good-bye, 1939! I am rather glad you are gone, for while you had many days of great pleasure it was during your months that it seemed as if Hugie's & my love would not stand the strain of financial worry put upon it by this house which is also my love. But the greatest thing in my life is Hugie's & my love & when it is at a low ebb so is my heart. In the fire place New Year's Eve glowed a piece of barbed wire. May it be a symbol of the war in Europe & not for this House.

Memoranda

Christmas gifts.

From Hughie - 2 slips, 4 prs.  
stockings, \$10, "Life", a  
case of quinine tonic, 3  
quest towels + a box of candy  
From Ellen, Godey picture +  
some Jergens lotion.  
From Henry, 2 little red chin shoes  
From Niece, basket of popcorn.  
From Minnie, cook book  
From Bo, 6 egg glasses, diary  
and 3 prs. stockings  
From Nini - piece of ivory.  
From Uncle F. - Readers Digest  
From Aunt Maud - playing cards  
From Mai - green band bag  
From Aunt Gertrude - \$1 for each of us  
From Lilly Beall - box of candy  
for all of us.  
From Sam, Hughie, Henry + Niece  
To ~~Sam~~, Niece, Minnie + Nell - roses



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## CALENDAR

1940

	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
JAN.	7	1	2	3	4	5	6
FEB.	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
MAR.	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
APRIL	28	29	30	31			
MAY					1	2	3
JUNE							
JULY							
AUG.							
SEPT.							
OCT.							
NOV.							
DEC.							